





# The Chaos

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## Dedication

To Miss Antoinette Price, our librarian  
and friend, we respectfully dedicate  
this book.

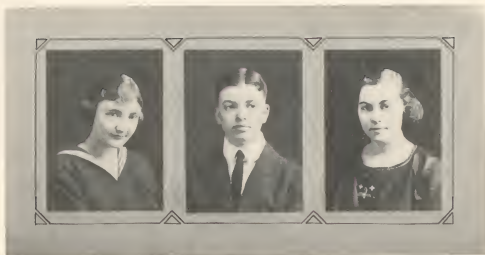
## Preface

What excuse have we for adding another volume to the already endless library of modern times? This great library is constantly increasing at the rate of many volumes each day, only a very small portion of which survive consignment to the debris of the passing years. What reason is there to suppose that this book will escape such a fate or, indeed, be worthy to escape it? And why should six hundred dollars—enough to have kept sixty Armenian children from starving to death last winter—be spent for a mere high school annual?

But, on the other hand, is it of value that the class spirit of thirty-four Seniors be kept alive; is it of value that there be the supreme literary objective for two hundred and fifty High School students; and last, but not least, shall the CHAOS tradition be allowed to die? Do not these intangible and idealistic things counterbalance the hard, practical facts of reality?

Perhaps little can be said concerning the book itself, except that we, the staff, have tried our best to put into it the true Rensselaer High School spirit. Have we succeeded? You, reader, are the judge.

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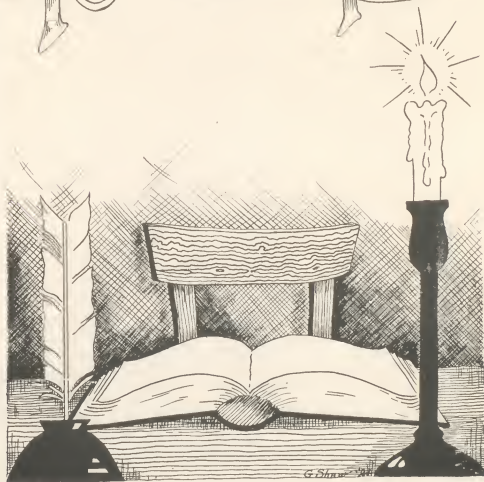
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**C. R. DEAN**  
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Indiana University, A. B.

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Mr. Dean has been connected with the city schools from the time we were first graders until now. We regret very much that it is necessary for us to bid farewell to him.

**A. A. SHEPLER**  
Principal

Science

Winona College, A. B.

Mr. Shepler has been with us for two years as principal. We feel that R. H. S. has been fortunate in securing his services. He has sponsored our class this year.

**ELIZABETH**  
**BLANCHE MERRY**  
English

Indiana State Normal School

Indiana University  
University of Michigan  
University of Chicago.

Ph. B.

Miss Merry has done everything possible to further the interests of the students.

**GRACE NORRIS**  
Latin

DePauw University, A. B.

Under her guidance most of us toiled through Caesar, a few passed on to Virgil, and still fewer survived Cicero. To infuse life into a dead language must be a hopeless task.

**HELEN**  
**LEATHERMAN**  
French

Ward-Belmont College  
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Fresh from college, Miss Leatherman returned to her own high school to teach. The Seniors wish that she had come sooner.





**GLADYS MINCH**  
**Household Arts**

Western College for  
Women  
Bradley Polytechnic  
Institute

We are sure that it will  
not be her fault if a  
great number of model  
housewives are not  
turned out this year.

**BESSIE  
HAWORTH  
LEIGHTLY**  
**Mathematics**

Earlham College, A. B.  
Mrs. Leightly is the  
only married lady on  
the faculty. We don't  
know whether this  
makes her a better  
teacher or not, but  
anyway she has helped  
us to solve many diffi-  
cult problems.

**RUTH CLENDENIN**  
**Biology**

Oberlin College, A. B.  
Miss Clendenin deals  
with the realm of birds,  
beasts, bugs, and fish-  
es. Under her the  
Freshies learn to wield  
the scalpel and micro-  
scope.

**FRANK H.  
WOERNER**  
**Manual Arts**

Central Normal Col-  
lege, B. S.  
Indiana University  
Butler College

Unfortunately Mr.  
Woerner was forced to  
give up his position as  
Manual Training teach-  
er early in the year.  
We sincerely hope that  
he may soon recover  
from this illness.

**LENADA KAY**  
**History**

U. of Michigan, A. B.  
History is a subject  
in which the teacher  
plays no small part in  
the amount of interest  
created. We feel that  
Miss Kay has succeed-  
ed in arousing interest  
to a marked extent.

**THELMA SHAFER**  
**Assistant English and  
Mathematics**

Hillsdale College, A. B.  
Miss Shafer's juris-  
diction lies within the  
province of the under-  
classmen, but we hear  
many favorable com-  
ments concerning her  
work.





**JESSIE MERRY**  
Commercial  
Bryant and Stratton  
Business College  
University of Chicago,  
B. S.

Although her subjects are hardly connected with the regular academic courses, they are found to be very practical in the business world. To appreciate her subtle wit, a quick mind is required.

**HAZEL BEATRICE GRAY**  
Music and Art  
Valparaiso University,  
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Teacher's Certificate,  
P. S. M.

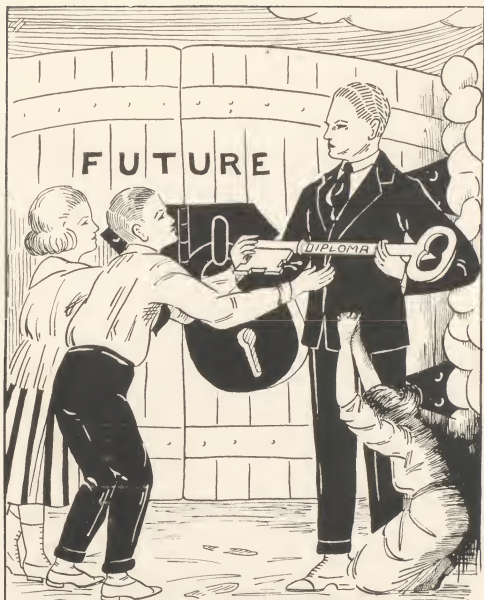
We can't understand how Miss Gray has been able to withstand all the screeching the students of R. H. S. have done this year. Her work with the Glee Club has been highly successful.

**ELIZABETH KING**  
Calisthenics

Columbia School of  
Physical Education

Although Miss King's subject was first introduced into R. H. S. this year, all of the girls have become very enthusiastic, and a great deal of the success of this subject is due to the way in which she has carried on her work.





**SENIORS**

G. S. H. '26

## Senior Class History

Class Colors.....Old Gold and Blue  
Class Motto....."The End Crowns the Work"  
Class Flower.....Aaron Ward Rose

To the incoming Freshman, High School usually seems the embodiment of all that is dark and mysterious. Teachers are usually looked upon as ogres, always ready, figuratively of course, to snatch from their necks the heads of the innocent Freshmen.

We, the Seniors of 1921, when we entered High School were at the bottom of the ladder of graduation. Now we are on the top round, and shall soon have left the ladder.

As Freshmen, we were forced to endure the taunts and jeers of the upper classes, because of our many blunders. But we had mounted the first step of the ladder and nothing could turn us back. Consequently we contrived, by fair means or foul, to pass the cruel exams thrown at us, and with glory and great joy found that next year we would be Sophomores.

At the beginning of the second year, the majority of the previous Freshmen were present. During the entire year we were very quiet, turning up later as a "dark horse," as it were. We often wondered what made the Freshmen so carefree and kiddish and gay. We, following the examples of others, forgot that we had ever been beginners.

We then mounted the third step of the ladder. Whenever the word "Juniors" was heard, we were all attention and were very proud indeed. Forrest Osborne, our president, had the support of the entire class. We were very enthusiastic over athletics, and engaged in several contests, always managing to be the guests at the banquets given for the winners. We watched with envy the Seniors, however, knowing that the next year would bring to us the fruits of toil.

We now stood on the last step and gazed about us. We looked at the first three steps we had already climbed and sighed with relief. Imagine us Seniors starting four years before as verdant Freshmen! Although it hardly seems possible, it was nevertheless true. But now there are the exciting days of Commencement week to look forward to, and then we will bid R. H. S. goodbye forever, and go out into the world—Freshmen once more.

ESTHER ZACHER, '21.

## Senior Class Poem

Listen, my friends, and you shall hear  
The tale of the Seniors who graduate this year.  
In the month of September, just four years ago,  
Our class numbered 71 ; Green Freshmen? Oh no!  
But I will not dwell on our High School flight,  
'Twould take too long to tell it just right.  
So I'll skip lightly o'er our three years of glory  
And unfold to you the Senior story.

A stands for Arnott, in Athletics a star,  
You will remember him wherever you are.  
B stands for Bever, each spelled a different way,  
Izzy's with an "e," while Sylvia adds an "a."  
C is substitute for Clark, and also for Comer,  
Please don't forget Collins, in sports he's a Homer.  
D means Dayton and Dahncke so slim,  
And also Dunlap, overflowing with vim.

E begins Energy, displayed at all meetings.  
F is Friendship, extended with greetings.  
G of these we have but one, and that is Grow,  
When Billy's in his Essex, he's not a bit slow.  
H is for Hudson, Herath and Hoover,  
Also for Hemphill, the Chaos chief editor.  
I means Inclination, and many we had,  
Some were for good, and others for bad.

J is for Judgment ; there was lots of it in need,  
Especially in themes, you'd think so indeed !  
K stands for Keeness, as sharp as a tack,  
In school activities, Keeness didn't lack.  
L means Lynge, who's never out-of-sorts,  
Lambert and Larsh, the bright lights in sports.  
M is for Merritt, guardian of our gold,  
N means Nonsense, or Nothing, all told.

O stands for Osborne, the Senior class president.

P is for P'hegley, on a farm he's a resident.

Q means Quip, and Quip means "to tease."

Some of the Seniors can surely quip with ease.

R Reed, Rose and Roland, both begin with R's.

Robinson, Rhoades and Randle are also ours.

S may mean Somers, and also Shaw,

While in John Strecker, don't try to find a flaw.

T is for Thornton, a meek little maid;

Also Thompson and Tullis, with reputes of high grade.

U stands for Union, the source of all power,

While V means Victory, attained every hour.

W means Walter, and also Wasson,

And Whitacre, the Arch Duke of Orange Blossom.

X stands for Xmas, which comes once a year.,

Then we receive gifts from every friend dear.

Y is for Yawn, and always on Monday.

Teachers never saw why it couldn't be Sunday.

Z stands for Zacher, a meek little lass,

Who was usually found at the head of the class.

And now that I have mentioned every Senior's name,

Please remember that I tried to treat each one the same.

And in the years to come, when you have all found your fates,

Don't forget old '21, and your Senior classmates.

THERESA HOOVER, '21.





### FORREST OSBORNE

- 1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society
- 2, Football
- 3-4, President Class

If there is one rare thing on this earth, it is to find a boy who will study. "Bill" is one of our many bright and shining stars, not only in one subject, but in all.

### JOHN STRECKER

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society
- 1-2, Student Council
- 4, Vice-President Class
- 4, President Radio Club

Strecker is a wireless man. Burying himself in the attic almost every night, he sends and receives messages far and wide.

### BYRON HEMPHILL

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society
- 1-2-4, Orchestra
- 3, President Print Club
- 4, Editor-in-Chief Chaos

"Hemphy" is a boy who cast aside the many frivolities of high school life this year and settled down to the really serious business of getting an education.

### ESTHER ZACHER

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society
- 4, Vice-President History Club

To the casual acquaintance Esther is a quiet, reserved girl, but to the intimate friend she discloses a weak spark of mischievousness and another wee spark of naughtiness.

### WILLARD MERRITT

- "Bill"
- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society
- 3-4, Class Treasurer
- 4, Orchestra

We've trusted him for two years with all our money. He is one of those earnest boys who can always be depended upon.





**BASIL ARNOTT**  
"Base"

- 1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society  
3, Vice-President Print Club  
2-3-4, Basketball (guard)  
4, Basketball (captain)  
Our short, quiet basketball captain, who is also a mighty fine fellow socially.

**SYLVIA BEAVER**  
"Sylvie"

- 1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society  
4, Program Committee History Club  
Sylvia is all right in anything she undertakes to do, especially in laughing. "She laughs and laughs and never sighs."

**GEORGE COLLINS**  
"Doke"

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society  
2-3-4, Basketball  
4, Football  
There surely must be some good hard work in him, for none ever came out.

**RAYMOND HERATH**  
"Razor"

- 1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society  
4, Secretary-Treasurer French Club  
Already "Razor" is distinguishing himself as a salesman at the Community gasoline station. He is seldom heard, but is always to be found when wanted.

**PAULINE COMER**

- 1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society  
4, Print and Dramatic Clubs  
A demure little maid, but Dame Rumor whispers that her name will soon be changed.

**CECIL HUDSON**  
"Fat"

- 1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society  
4, Business Manager Rensselaerien  
Cecil was for the first three years rather seen instead of heard, but this year he blossomed forth the first semester as a successful business manager for the Rensselaerien.





**ISABELLE BEVER**  
"Izzy"

- 1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society  
1-2, Basketball  
2-4, R. H. S. Yell Leader  
4, Secretary History Club  
4, Exchange Editor Print Club  
4, President Dramatic Club  
To know Izzy is to like her. Her success in leading yells is proof of this.

**LILLIAN DAHNCKE**

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society  
4, Literary Editor Rensselaerien  
4, Secretary Glee Club  
She'll have to acquire a great deal of force during her twelve weeks at Normal if she expects to be the proverbial stern "schoolmarm."

**WILLIAM GROW**  
"Bill"

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society  
2-3-4, Football  
3-4, Basketball  
"Ha, ha, ha," comes reverberating down the hall as "Bill" approaches. As usual, he's kidding. He's always in hot water with the faculty and eternally being called down.

**BOYCIE LAMBERT**

- 2, Baseball  
2-3-4, Basketball  
3-4, Football  
3, Vice-President Class  
Fond of Room 3. He has chosen for his vocation the life of a bum, but we wouldn't be surprised if he would turn out to be a high school teacher.

**RUTH CLARK**  
"Lefty"

- 1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society  
1, Vice-President Class  
4, Editor-in-Chief Rensselaerien  
She is a tall, light haired girl. Sometimes she smiles and sometimes she shines. She shines in school spirit and smiles when she sees Orval coming.

**JOSEPHINE DAYTON**  
1-2-3, Webster Literary Society

A girl who is always willing and ready to do her part. She's a good sport and when there's any excitement she's right there, but, boys, take warning, she's a man hater.





### JACK LARSH

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society
- 2, Baseball
- 3-4, Football
- 4, President A. A.

Jack has proved himself successful as president of the Athletic Association. It was probably through his able management that we went over the top in our recent membership campaign.

### DONALD RHOADES "Don"

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society
- 4, Athletic Editor Rensselaerian

The more we consider the matter, we come to a stronger realization that Don is destined for the clergy.

### NAOMI DUNLAP

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society
- 4, Treasurer Dramatic Club
- 4, Joke Editor Rensselaerian
- 4, Business Mgr. Chaos

We are just sure that she is planning to enter an old maids' home, for she has been taking Home Economics for the past three years.

### BARBARA RANDLE "Bob"

- 1-2-3, Webster Literary Society
  - 4, Secretary Athletic Association
  - 4, Associate Editor Chaos
- Short and jolly, Bob believes the world was made for everyone to enjoy.

### LESTER PHEGLEY "Inky"

- 4, Football

He was end on the football team this year, contributing greatly to its successes.

### GORDON ROBINSON

Owing to an insufficient number of credits, Gordon failed to graduate.





**THERESA HOOVER**

1-2-3, Webster Literary Society

4, Print Club

She wrote our class poem. She's quiet and has a permanent blush. Lately we have noticed a diamond sparkling on her hand, and she's taking Home Economics.

**ROLAND REED**

1-2-3, Webster Literary Society

4, History Club

Here is one of the few and far between boys. A fellow doesn't know how much the world really appreciates him until the assembly bell goes wrong.

**MAE LYNGE**

1-2-3, Webster Literary Society

4, President History Club  
4, Dramatic and Print Clubs

A very business-like lady. One of those persons who believe that duty comes before pleasure.

**ROSE REED**

4, Dramatic Club

If the proposition that "the brain power varies in proportion to the distance from the feet to the head" could be proved, Rose would certainly have some mental capacity.

**CARL SOMERS**

"Pete"

1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society

3, Sgt. at Arms Lincoln Literary Society

4, Sgt. at Arms Athletic Association

4, Treasurer Print Club

Pete is a boy who is equally popular with the boys and girls.

**GLADYS SHAW**

"Happy"

1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society

1-2, Basketball

4, Pianist Glee Club

She aspires to be an artist, and with the generous share of talent Nature has given her, she has more than a good chance to attain fame.





**THOMAS THOMPSON**

1-2-3, Webster Literary Society

2, Class President

Tom is one of the very few who started with the class in the first grade. He was quarterback on the Varsity football team this year.

**JULIA THORNTON**

1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society

4, History Club

Here's a girl who can cook. Oh, her pies! She's certainly one of the best friends that ever happened. Julia never gossips and she's utterly unselfish.

**OWEN TULLIS**

1-2-3, Webster Literary Society

Although Owen has not what you would call "starred" in any one branch of school activities, he has been an all 'round good fellow.

**CLIFFORD WASSON**  
"Kick"

1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society

3-4, Football

4, History Club

"Kick" has proven to be a good sport. He was a star in athletics. We are sure that he will be famous some day.

**MARY WALTER**

1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society

4, History and Dramatic Clubs

Mary will always be remembered for the time she took the class to her father's watermelon patch. 'Member the sand burrs?

**PAUL WHITEACRE**  
"Dutch"

1-2-3, Lincoln Literary Society

4, History Club

Dutch is his name, Great is his fame, Although he looks tame, He always is game.



# JUNIORS



G. Shaw '26

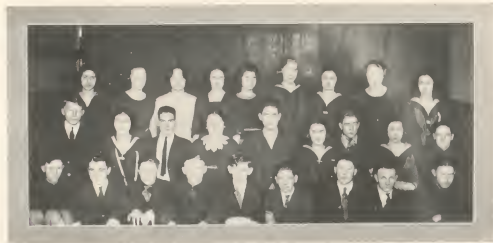
## Junior Class



Top Row (left to right).—Helen Tyler, Mary Williams, Lena Marion, Helen Horsewood, Edwina Spangle, Matilda Kahler, Mable Eisele, Bertha Witham, Elizabeth Yates.

Center Row (left to right).—Everett Greenlee, Mary Elizabeth Kannal, Clarence Jay, Lois May, Ernest Richards, Dolly Arnott, Dean Saylor, Irene Hoover, Wayne Tilton.

Bottom Row (left to right).—George Barber, Ewart Merica, Elvin Schroer, Alva Weiss, Lowell Morrell, Edward Leighly, Allen Stuart, James Simons, Edward Cain.



Top Row (left to right).—Harold Roth, Willis Wright, Fred Mustard, Garfield Folger, Leon Gwin, Elmer Sweeney, Paul Randle, William Putts.

Center Row (left to right).—Irene Iliff, Ruth Gilbranson, Gladys Walker, Ruby Pettet, Velma Kennedy, Gladys Lambert, Irma Campbell, Gladys Hershman.

Bottom Row (left to right).—Harold Harmon, Phillip Hauser, Ray Yeoman, Wade Abbott, Warren Switzer, Louis Worden, Fern Stuart, Elmer McAleer, Joe McColly.



## Junior Class History

Class Colors.....Old Gold and Black

Class Motto....."Justice for All"

Class Flower.....Yellow Chrysanthemum

It came to pass that during the last year of the reign of Frank I, of the Kratlion dynasty, there came into his kingdom a wandering tribe. This tribe had marked features which showed that they had come from the land of "Grammar School." Frank divided his kingdom into four provinces, giving the wandering tribe the province next the wall, or the so-called Freshman section. Such were the beginnings of the class of '22.

The class then chose as its shepherd, Joe McColly, who successfully guided his little flock through their epoch of "Greenomness." Their debut into society was in the form of a class party, as a result of which a few faithful members appeared for some days later with shorn wool.

The following year they bloomed forth as Sophomores, and found a new king on Frank's throne, by name Arthur. Arthur proved to be a very able ruler, although he reformed a few of the old customs (for instance, no 1920 Chaos). For the next bearer of the crook, the class chose Willis Wright, who served two successive years.

The class of '22 has been recognized by both the Faculty and other classes as seekers of knowledge. Indeed they have sent many hours scouring the hillsides for zoological specimens, mixing vile-smelling compounds in lab, toiling over impossible Latin, and finding the values of  $x$  and  $y$ . They have also repeated "Four Score and Seven Years Ago," interpreted Shakespearean plays and learned of William the Conqueror. But this is not all, for they have proved themselves worthy of athletic and social honor.

So it may be said that the Junior class has had a very brilliant past, and that they have one of the most promising of futures which Old Father Time has in store.

HAROLD ROTH, '22.



OUR TOWN

# SOPHOMORE



## Sophomore Class



Top Row (left to right).—Ruth Wortley, Martha Rush, Edna Smith, Alice Lang, Florence McFadden, Golda Fidler, Opal Fenwick, Fern Fenwick, Edna Schleman.  
Third Row (left to right).—Walker Gilmore, Arnold Kanne, Earl Wilcox, Clarence Hansen, Harold Donnelly, Wayne Davisson, David Warren, James Rice, Lawrence Hayes.

Second Row (left to right).—Opal Hankins, Mildred Griffin, Olive McCurtain, Gladys Bill, Mabel Yoeman, Della Amsler, Irene Biggs, Ruth Sage.

Bottom Row (left to right).—Harold Fleming, Paul Yoeman, Vaughn Smith, Gaylord Humes, Raymond Tudor, Harold Sharp, Dana Todd, Stewart French, Howard Warren.



Top Row (left to right).—Doris Larsh, Mary Washburn, Iva Swartzell, Grace Potts, Cordelia Stockton, Marguerite Lang, Kathlyn Morlan, Josephine Washburn, Grace Campbell.

Third Row (left to right).—Samuel Grant, John Kresler, Harold Potts, John Hopkins, Allen Sommers, Louis Crooks, Robert Donnelly, Max Pullins, Russell Paulus.  
Second Row (left to right).—Mary May, Mary Jane Brown, Lydia Cain, Gladys Price, Jessie Holmes, Cora Fosdick, Riffia Potts, Cecelia Callahan, Alice Sayers.

Bottom Row (left to right).—Francis Turfler, Francis Hunt, Mildred Timmons, Ruth Kepner, Alice Galbraith, Francis Wood, Edward Bever, Maurice Reed, Carl Michael.

## Sophomore Class History

Class Colors.....Old Gold and Black

Class Motto....."Consilium est melius quam opes"  
(Wisdom is better than riches)

Class Flower .....Pansy

All R. H. S. is divided into four parts, the first one of which is inhabited by the Seniors, the second by the Juniors, the third by the Sophomores, and the fourth by the Freshmen. These four provinces are divided from one another by different classes, different courses of study, and different seats in the assembly. They all have their different symbols, colors and leaders.

The greatest of these are the Seniors. Since they have been longest in R. H. S., they have much culture and refinement of manner. The province lying next the Seniors is inhabited by the Juniors, who are next in culture and refinement of manners. The fourth province is inhabited by the Freshmen, who have been in R. H. S. the shortest time. They are a green and unstable legion, judged by their light and frivolous conduct.

Occupying the position between these Freshmen and Juniors, are the Sophomores, a quiet and submissive class, bent on accomplishing great things. Their insignia is the Eagle, with outspread wings. They hope in due time to acquire the exalted and dignified position of Seniors.

O, Shade of Julius Caesar, Pardon Me, A Sophomore!

JOSEPHINE WASHBURN, '23.



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"TALENT"



SYLVIA



"IZZY"



HA! HA!



COMRADES - IN PERIL



CEONS



MIDST THE GLORIES



THEM



GOING TO COMMERCIAL



HAY SEEDS



MONDAY A.M.

# SENIORS

# FRESHIES



## Freshman Class



Top Row (left to right).—Marthabelle Gilmore, Genevieve Irwin, Marie Tanner, Kathryn Chapman, Marjorie Sprague, Nellie Bare, Rachel Stuart, Martha Randle, Mae Markin.  
 Center Row (left to right).—Robert Leopold, Jay Engle, Francis Reeve, Don Arnett, Willard Black, George Ballinger, James Cooper, Charles Waling.  
 Bottom Row (left to right).—Orlan Swartzell, Virginia Kresler, Julia Randle, Kathryn King, Clarol Nees, Bernice Cornwell, Ellen Kresler, Edna Axen, James Hansen, Ivan Williamson.



Top Row (left to right).—Opal Sunderland, Lillian Kruse, Ardis Maines, Iris Comer, Margaret Gifford, Marie Wartena, Geraldine Roth, Maxine Martindale, Anna Reed, Virginia Ross.  
 Third Row (left to right).—Charles Waling, Paul Gates, Hollis May, Donald Cornwell, James Hopkins, Vincent Stalbaum, Lee Reed, Reed Pennel, Edward Ramp, Max Robinson.  
 Second Row (left to right).—Myrtle Dayton, Margaret Mullady, Alice Sayers, Loretta Abbott, Mary Potter, Blanche White, Dorothy Frye, Eva Jenkins, Laura Hurley, Mary Ruth Elder.  
 Bottom Row (left to right).—Robert Mayhew, Ralph Amsler, Jay Wood, Harold Fleming, Maurice Hammond, Laverne Paulus, Harold Rowen, Vernon Phegley, Cecil Hooker.



## Freshmen Class History

Class Colors.....Old Rose and White

Class Motto....."Puto itaque sum" (I think, therefore I am)

Class Flower.....Lily of the Valley

On September 6, 1920, nearly seventy-five children, conceived in greenness, but dedicated to the proposition that all classes are created equal, entered into this High School. They received their assignments for the next day's work and were dismissed for the remainder of the day. By the end of the first semester the class had lost about five of its members, some on account of sickness and others because they thought their time could be more profitably spent at home.

The class organized on the twenty-second day of September, Maurice Hammond being elected president. At a later meeting plans were made for a class party. This class party proved to be a great success.

The Freshmen were continually tormented and called green by the upper classmen, but they bravely took all this, for were not these upper classmen Freshmen at one time? During the latter part of the year a wonderful change came over the Freshmen, however, for they were no longer the green, unformed children that had entered in September, but were transformed into bright and industrious (?) students of R. H. S.

VIRGINIA KRESLER, '24.





G Shaw '26

## R. H. S. Athletic Association

As is customary, at the first of the term the Athletic Association was re-organized for the purpose of taking care of the fall, winter, and spring sports. A membership contest was held between the four classes, a 100 per cent enrollment being the result. At the beginning of the second semester another membership contest was held, the student body again proving 100 per cent loyal.

Financially the football season was a failure, the deficit amounting to practically one hundred dollars. The funds of the Association were exhausted by the purchase of basketball suits and paraphernalia just before the basketball season opened.

Basketball proved to be a financial success. Only lack of a more spacious gymnasium withheld the crowds who came for the home games. From the basketball season the Association realized an earning of more than two hundred and twenty-five dollars. Just before the district tournament ten sweat shirts, with numerals and letters, were purchased by the Association.

The Association acted as hosts to Monticello and Delphi in a track and field meet which was held at Rensselaer. Tennis was a new sport added to our line of sports, but this easily financed itself. The armory was rented by the Association for a period of three months, several organizations from the city co-operating with us in this.

Football receipts were \$495.48 and disbursements \$594.90.

Basketball receipts were \$789.18 and disbursements \$566.33.

The crowded gym and spirited yells are another story.

Finally, the gentlemanly and sportsmanlike deportment of our boys on the floor may not be read in figures, but is appreciated by their friends.



### '20 Football Season

Manager.....	A. A. Shepler
Captain.....	William Grow
Coach.....	Hollis Leighly

#### Team

Center.....	Alva Weiss
Right Guard.....	William Grow
Right Tackle.....	Boyce Lambert
Right End.....	Willis Wright
Right Half.....	Harold Harmon
Left Guard.....	Stewart French
Left Tackle.....	Clifford Wasson
Left End.....	Lester Phegley
Left Half.....	Jack Larsh
Quarter.....	Thomas Thompson
Full.....	George Collins

#### Substitutes

Bever, Cain, Grant, Hammond, Jay, Kresler, Merica, Pullins, Sharp,  
Stuart, Tilton, Todd.



### FOOTBALL TEAM

Top Row (left to right).—Mr. Leighly (coach), Samuel Grant, Harold Sharp, Edward Bever, John Kresler, Ewart Merica, Maurice Hammond, Wayne Tilton, Edward Cain, Clarence Jay, Allen Stuart, Max Pullins, Mr. Shepler (manager).  
 Center Row (left to right).—Harold Harmon, Thomas Thompson, George Collins, Jack Larsh, Dana Todd.  
 Bottom Row (left to right).—Willis Wright, Boycie Lambert, William Grow (captain), Alva Weiss, Stewart French, Clifford Wasson, Lester Phegley.

### FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Winning School	Losing School	Score	Place	Date
Rensselaer .....	Momence .....	70-0	Rensselaer .....	10/2
Rensselaer .....	Logansport .....	20-6	Rensselaer .....	10/9
Watseka .....	Rensselaer .....	16-0	Watseka .....	10/6
Rensselaer .....	Kentland .....	34-0	Rensselaer .....	10/30
Emerson .....	Rensselaer .....	24-0	Gary .....	11/6
Kirklin .....	Rensselaer .....	3-0	Rensselaer .....	11/11

Total Points—Rensselaer, 124; Opponents, 49.

## Football 1920

Rensselaer's contests on the gridiron this year were marked by a snappy brand of ball. With a line that stood immovable, supported by fast and plunging backs, they met every team squarely and fought hard, either against defeat, if that had to be, or for victory. The first game was played with Momence on Rensselaer's field. It was little more than a practice game for Rensselaer, the score being 70 to 0. One week later Logansport came to Rensselaer. This was the most sensational of all the games. Both teams fought fiercely until the final whistle blew, and found Rensselaer leading, 20 to 6. This balanced accounts with Logansport for several years back. The next week Rensselaer journeyed to Watseka. The effects of the bruises and injuries received in the Logansport game were very apparent when Rensselaer went to her first defeat. No game was played the following week, the team gathering strength for the crushing defeat which they administered two weeks later to their old-time rival, Kentland. After a walk-away for Rensselaer in the first half, Kentland came back stronger in the second period, but it was too late. The next week the team went to Gary to face the strong Emerson team. Here Rensselaer suffered her second defeat. It was a hard-fought game, but Rensselaer was outclassed in the first period, and when she rallied it was too late to be of much value. The last game was played at Rensselaer the following Thursday, Kirklin being the opponent. After a hard fought game, Kirklin won by a place kick from the field.

## Football 1921

The students of R. H. S. are looking forward to the football season of '21, expecting it to be the most successful year in the history of the High School. Prospects for a winning team are bright. Many of this year's team will be with us again next year, while there is also a wealth of material among the under-classmen. A heavy schedule is being booked, which will contain some of the best teams in northern Indiana, such as Emerson, South Bend, Kirklin and Logansport. With proper support R. H. S. will, in all probability, have a most successful football season next year.



### BASKETBALL TEAM

Left to right.—Wayne Tilton, Alva Weiss, Willis Wright, Harold Harmon, William Grow, Jack Larsh, George Collins, Basil Arnott (Captain).

### 1920-1921 BASKETBALL SEASON

Manager.....A. A. Shepler  
 Captain .....Basil Arnott  
 Coach .....Floyd Meyers

Guard  
 Wright  
 Grow

Forward  
 Collins  
 Hunt

Center  
 Larsh  
 Weiss

Guard  
 Arnott  
 Jay

Forward  
 Harmon  
 Tilton

# BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Games played, 15; won, 10; lost, 5.

Winning School	Losing School	Score	Place	Date	Officials
Reynolds .....	Rensselaer .....	26-22	Rensselaer .....	12/3	O'Brien
Rensselaer .....	Medaryville .....	17-15	Rensselaer .....	12/11	Meyers
Rensselaer .....	Remington .....	12-11	Remington .....	12/17	Hemphill, Deekay
Reynolds .....	Rensselaer .....	29-17	Rensselaer .....	1/7	O'Brien
Lowell .....	Rensselaer .....	39-15	Lowell .....	1/14	Kenzel
Rensselaer .....	Morocco .....	37- 4	Rensselaer .....	1/15	Meyers, Ray
Rensselaer .....	Remington .....	47- 0	Rensselaer .....	1/21	Meyers
Medaryville.....	Rensselaer .....	18-14	Medaryville .....	1/22	Guild
Rensselaer .....	Wolcott .....	10- 8	Rensselaer .....	1/29	Leighley
Rensselaer .....	Lowell .....	15-11	Rensselaer .....	2/2	O'Brien
Brook .....	Rensselaer .....	18-14	Brook .....	2/4	Changnon
Rensselaer .....	Kentland .....	24- 3	Rensselaer .....	2/11	Lange
Rensselaer .....	Chalmers .....	29-10	Rensselaer .....	2/15	Lange
Rensselaer .....	Monon .....	19-17	Rensselaer .....	2/18	Lange
Rensselaer .....	Brook .....	27-21	Rensselaer .....	2/25	Lange

Total points—Rensselaer, 319; opponents, 230.



## Basket Ball 1920-'21

Games Played	
Arnott .....	16
Cain .....	1
Collins .....	17
Grow .....	7
Harmon .....	16
Hunt .....	1
Jay .....	11
Lambert .....	2
Larsh .....	17
Rhoads .....	2
Sweeney .....	2
Tilton .....	10
Weiss .....	6
Wright .....	14

Field Goals	
Arnott .....	12
Collins .....	30
Harmon .....	15
Jay .....	1
Larsh .....	74
Tilton .....	7

Foul Goals	
Collins .....	51
Larsh .....	1
Collins missed .....	33
Larsh missed .....	7

Final Scores	
R. H. S. ....	342
Opponents .....	255

Score of Classes	
Seniors .....	296
Juniors .....	46

The above figures show that Larsh made 43 per cent of the final points scored by R. H. S. Comparing his record with the final score of the opponents, you will find that his number is 58 per cent of theirs.

Collins threw 84 foul goals and missed 33. Therefore he revealed 60 per cent of his possibilities.

Larsh was 43 per cent of R. H. S.'s score and 50 per cent of the opponents'; therefore he was 74 per cent of his possibilities.

Figures do not tell the whole truth. They do not tell that Captain Arnott served the others in urging the team to better service, therefore making a satisfactory captain.

It is difficult to read from the figures the change of coaches which the team had during the two months of training. Nor can one read from such tabulated statements how much support was given the boys by the High School and community.



## R-M-D Triangular Track and Field Meet

On April 30 the fourth R-M-D (Rensselaer-Monticello-Delphi) track and field meet was held at Rensselaer. These meets have not been held during the war, but in all probability they will from now take place every year.

Delphi received a total of 40 points, giving them the privilege of holding the large loving cup until next year; Monticello, 36 points, and Rensselaer, 22 points. As Delphi won the relay race, they also received the small loving cup.

## Oratorical and Reading Contest

The R-M-D dramatic reading and oratorical contest was given in the evening at the Ellis Opera House. The local High School Orchestra played several selections before the readings began.

In the dramatic reading contest, Frances Wood, of Rensselaer, was awarded first prize, and Mary Snyder, of Delphi, second prize.

Bion Vogel was awarded first prize in the oratorical contest. Ernest Hobaugh, of Delphi, was given second prize.



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**ORGANIZATIONS**

## Agriculture Club



Top Row (left to right).—Gaylord Humes, Johannes Eilts, Earl Wilcox, Mr. Woerner (teacher), Harold Fleming, Vernon Phegley, Russell Paulus.  
Bottom Row (left to right).—Hollis May, Arnold Kanne, Allen Somers, Elmer McAeer, Fern Stuart, Max Pullin.

The Agriculture Club met once each month during the school year. The purpose of the club was to increase the knowledge of the members about agricultural subjects.

## Dramatic Club



Top Row (left to right).—Maxine Martindale, Mary Iliff, Mary Walters, Lillian Dahncke, Rose Reed, Gladys Hershman, Mary Washburn, Isabelle Bever, Kathryn Morlan.

Third Row (left to right).—Ruth Gilbranson, Gladys Walker, Iris Comer, Gladys Shaw, Kathryn Chapman, Ruth Kepner, Helen Tyler, Laura Hurley, Mary Williams.

Second Row (left to right).—Barbara Randle, Naomi Dunlap, Virginia Ross, Mary Jane Brown, Genevieve Irwin, Margaret Mullady, Clarol Nees, Eva Jenkins, Alice Galbraith.

Bottom Row (left to right).—Francis Turfler, Orlan Swartzell, Clarence Hansen, Robert Leopold, Kathryn King, Frances Wood, Edward Bever, Stewart French, Dana Todd, Ewart Merica.

The Dramatic Club presented one program before the school.

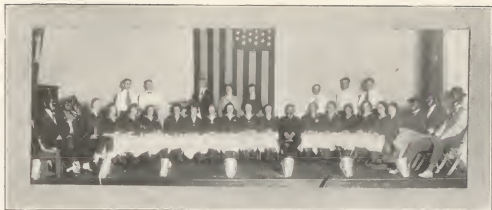
## French Club



Top Row (left to right).—Harold Sharp, Edward Bever, John Kresler, Raymond Herath, Carl Michael, Ewart Merica, Joe McColly, Francis Hunt, Vernon Phegley.  
 Third Row (left to right).—Maxine Martindale, Helen Smith, Virginia Ross, Gladys Shaw, Isabelle Bever, Cordelia Stockton.  
 Second Row (left to right).—Samuel Grant, Paul Yeoman, Paul Gates, Edward Leighly, Max Robinson, Willard Merritt, Louis Crooks, James Rice.  
 Bottom Row (left to right).—Harold Rowen, James Hansen, Max Pullins, Don Arnott.

The French Club has studied the French language and literature during the past year.

## Glee Club



Standing (left to right).—Francis Turfler, Allen Stuart, Byron Hemphill, Miss Gray (directress), Gladys Shaw (pianist), Elmer McAleer, Owen Tullis, Clarence Hanson.

Sitting (left to right).—Donald Rhoades, Max Pullins, Leon Gwin, Ruth Clark, Barbara Randle, Lillian Dahncke, Irene Hoover, Cecelia Callahan, Mary Jane Brown, Lydia Cain, Gladys Lambert, Mary Iliff, Irma Campbell, Dean Sayler, Hattie Wasson, Grace Campbell, Esther Hershman, Velma Kennedy, Mary May, Olive McCurtain, Louis Worden, Joe McColly, Ewart Merica.

The Glee Club has been one of the most successful clubs in the school this year. It gave a minstrel show, journeyed to Tefft for the Baccalaureate exercises, and sang here May night, Baccalaureate and Commencement.

## History Club



Top Row (left to right).—Paul Whitacre, Donald Rhoades, Lowell Morrell, Boycie Lambert, Clifford Wasson, George Collins, Carl Somers.  
Center Row (left to right).—Esther Hershman, Mary Walters, Mae Lynge, Ruth Clark, Isabelle Bever, Sylvia Beaver, Naomi Dunlap.  
Bottom Row (left to right).—Forrest Osborne, Esther Zacher, Barbara Randle, Julia Thornton, Josephine Dayton, Basil Arnott.

The History Club held bi-monthly meetings. At the first meeting of the month papers were read and various problems of history were discussed. The second meeting was a social evening. Two of the club's aims were (1) to receive more of a general knowledge of history; (2) to study in detail the history of Jasper County.



## Latin Club



Top Row (left to right).—Ruth Gilbranson, Lois May, Edna Schleman, Florence Mc Fadden, Golda Fidler, Marguerite Lang, Edna Smith, Gladys Price, Alice Galbraith.

Bottom Row (left to right).—John Kresler, Francis Turfler, Harold Fleming, Howard Warren, Ewart Merica, Dana Todd, James Hopkins.

The Latin Club studied Roman history and the Latin language and literature.

## Literary Club



Top Row (left to right).—Geraldine Roth, Edna Smith, Ruth Wortley, Alice Lang, Anna Reed, Margaret Mullady, Blanche White, Dorothy Frye.  
 Third Row (left to right).—Harold Potts, James Hansen, Orlan Swartzell, Francis Hunt, Darold Fleming, Russell Paulus, Jay Wood.  
 Second Row (left to right).—Loretta Abbott, Grace Campbell, Della Amsler, Marjorie Sprague, Bernice Cornwell, Julia Randle, Lillian Kruse, Mary Ruth Elder.  
 Bottom Row (left to right).—Irma Campbell, Wayne Comer, Nellie Bare, Hollis May, Clarol Nees, Donald Cornwell, Rachel Stuart.

The Literary Club studies various selections from the lighter classics. However, it does not confine itself to the study of Literature alone, but also studies Music and the Drama. The club gave a very interesting program before the school on St. Patrick's day.

## Nature Club



Top Row (left to right).—Martha Rush, Iva Swartzell, Ruth Sage, Opal Fenwick, Marie Wartena, Fern Fenwick, Gladys Bill, Blanche White, Ruth Wortley, Edna Smith, Helen Horsewood.

Fourth Row (left to right).—Robert Leopold, John Kresler, Harold Potts, Max Robinson, Louis Crooks, Robert Donelly, Vincent Stalbaum, Don Arnott, James Hopkins, James Rice.

Third Row (left to right).—Margaret Mullady, Margaret Gifford, Iris Comer, Mary Potter, Ellen Kresler, Ardis Maines, Marjorie Sprague, Kathryn Chapman, Bernice Cornwell, Julia Randle, Kathryn King.

Second Row (left to right).—Darald Fleming, Francis Hunt, Frances Wood, Lydia Cain, Mable Yeoman, Virginia Ross, Virginia Kresler, Ivan Williamson, Maurice Hammond.

Bottom Row (left to right).—James Hansen, Johannes Eilts, Lawrence Hayes, John Hopkins, James Cooper, Samuel Grant, Francis Reeve, Walker Gilmore, Orlan Swartzell.

The Nature Club has made several field trips, has had several talks on Nature, and has cleaned the school museum. It is the largest club in the school, and also one of the most active.

# Orchestra



## ORCHESTRA PERSONNEL

Miss Gray, Conductress

### First Violins

Gladys Hershman

Gladys Carr

Byron Hemphill

### Bass

Francis Turfler

### Alto

Everett Waymire

### Second Violins

Mary Williams

Olive McCurtain

Arnold Kanne

Allen Stuart

### C Melody Saxophones

Harold Sharp

Harold Donnelly

Robert Donnelly

### 'Cello

Willard Merritt

### Piano

Ruth Clark

This year has been perhaps the most successful that the Orchestra has ever had. It went to Tefft to play for the Commencement exercises and appeared here on May night, Baccalaureate and Commencement.

## Print Club



Top Row (left to right).—Cecil Hudson, Clarence Hansen, Alva Weiss, Lowell Morrell, Maurice Hammond, Donald Rhoades, Carl Sommers.  
Center Row (left to right).—Mae Lyng, Ruth Clark, Lillian Dahncke, Isabelle Bever, Pauline Comer, Esther Zacher, Sylvia Beaver, Naomi Dunlap.  
Bottom Row (left to right).—Edward Ramp, Opal Hankins, Robert Leopold, Esther Hershman, Max Robinson.

The Print Club was one of the most active in the school, publishing nine issues of the *Rensselaerien*.

# Voting Contest

## Girls

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice
Best Looking .....	Gladys Lambert	Bertha Witham	Mabel Eisele
Most Agreeable .....	Lois May	Barbara Randle	Mary Elizabeth Kannal
Most Studious .....	Mabel Eisele	Blanche White	Mildred Griffin
Most Optimistic .....	Barbara Randle	Mary Iliff	Frances Wood
Most Pessimistic .....	Mildred Griffin	Barbara Randle	Irene Hoover
Best Sport .....	Isabelle Bever	Gladys Shaw	Frances Wood
Worst Knocker .....	Irene Hoover	Ruth Clark	Doris Larsh
Most Ladylike .....	Mabel Eisele	Mary Elizabeth Kannal	Ruth Clark
School Baby .....	Doris Larsh	Ellen Kresler	Cordelia Stockton
Biggest Bluffer .....	Irene Hoover	Isabelle Bever	Frances Wood
Laziest .....	Isabelle Bever	Rachel Stuart	Cordelia Stockton
Neatest Dresser .....	Gladys Shaw	Mabel Eisele	Mary Elizabeth Kannal
School Clown .....	Isabelle Bever	Frances Wood	Mary Washburn
Crankiest .....	Irene Hoover	Ruth Clark	Josephine Washburn
Biggest Giggler .....	Sylvia Beaver	Helen Tyler	Mary Washburn
Biggest Flirt .....	Frances Wood	Gladys Shaw	Doris Larsh
Best Dancer .....	Doris Larsh	Mary Elizabeth Kannal	Gladys Shaw

## Boys

Best Looking .....	Jack Larsh	Harold Harmon	Edward Bever
Most Popular .....	Jack Larsh	Harold Harmon	Forest Osborne
Most Studious .....	Lowell Morrell	Ewart Merica	Joe McColly
Best Nutured .....	Max Pullins	Forest Osborne	William Grow
Best Athlete .....	Jack Larsh	George Collins	Willis Wright
Best Sport .....	Phillip Hauser	George Collins	Harold Harmon
Teachers' Pet .....	Robert Leopold	Dana Todd	Boycie Lambert
Most Courteous .....	Edward Bever	Harold Harmon	Forest Osborne
School Baby .....	Robert Leopold	Maurice Hammond	Dana Todd
Biggest Bluffer .....	John Strecker	Stewart French	Robert Leopold
Loudest Dresser .....	Allen Stuart	Edward Bever	Byron Hemphill
Laziest .....	George Collins	Robert Donnelly	Harold Harmon
School Clown .....	Max Pullins	Robert Leopold	Dana Todd
Crankiest .....	Jack Larsh	Robert Leopold	Forest Osborne
Most Sociable .....	Forest Osborne	Harold Sharp	John Kresler
Biggest Flirt .....	Edward Bever	Robert Leopold	Harold Sharp
Best Dancer .....	Harold Harmon	Jack Larsh	Roland Reed

## Faculty

Best Looking Woman	Miss Shafer	Miss Kay	Miss Leatherman
Best Looking Man	Mr. Shepler	Mr. Hemphill	Mr. Dean
Loudest Dresser	Miss Shafer	Miss Clendenin	Miss Leatherman
Most Dignified	Miss Norris	Miss B. Merry	Miss Leatherman
First to Be Married	Miss Shafer	Miss Leatherman	Miss Norris
Hardest to Bluff	Miss B. Merry	Miss Norris	Mrs. Leighly
Most Easily Fussed	Mr. Shepler	Mr. Hemphill	Miss B. Merry
Never Satisfied	Mr. Shepler	Miss B. Merry	Mr. Hemphill
Next to Leave	Mr. Hemphill	Miss Shafer	Mr. Shepler
Faculty Clown	Mr. Shepler	Miss Clendenin	Mr. Hemphill

# ACTIVITIES



## Student Activities



### Washington's Birthday

The Senior class gave two short episodes in memory of George Washington's birthday. In these certain phases of Washington's life were portrayed. The first scene was a plantation scene and the second was a narrative of Washington's first surveying trip with Lord Fairfax. The program proved to be a very interesting one.



### Basketball Banquet

The basketball team and class sponsors were entertained Thursday evening, March 17th, at a banquet given by the Senior girls. A two-course dinner was served in the Domestic Science room, which was appropriately decorated for St. Patrick's Day. Much good fellowship was shown and everyone left feeling that they had enjoyed themselves.



### Good-Speech Program

Friday, November 6th, ended the good speech week, and a good program was given in the High School auditorium at 8 p. m. Many good results were obtained by observing good speech week. Each class was required to contribute some part of the program and prizes were offered for the best act. Tags had been passed out during the week and the class having the most tags was also given a prize.





### Junior-Senior Feed

On Wednesday night, February 16th, the Senior class and Faculty were entertained by the Junior class at a three-course banquet. The dinner was served in the Domestic Science rooms, which were furnished with appropriate Valentine decorations. The Seniors showed their appreciation by their appetites.



### Senior Wienie Roast

On Wednesday evening, April 13th, the Seniors were hosts to the Athletic Association at a "weenie roast" at the ball park. This was a debt which they had owed for a long time as the result of a contest staged at the beginning of the second semester. A very good time was had by everyone.



### Glee Club Minstrel

The Glee Club gave a minstrel program on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, December 14th and 15th. The music was very good and the colored men took care of all troubles which might have been bothering the audience. The whole program was enjoyed immensely.



### Freshman-Sophomore Banquet

The Freshman and Sophomore classes showed the spirit of R. H. S. when they banqueted the Juniors and Seniors on Friday evening, December 10th. This was held in the gymnasium, which was decorated very artistically in the high school colors. A spirit of close friendship between all four classes was distinctly shown.



### Football Team Banquet

On the evening of November 23d the football team, Board of Education and Faculty were guests of the Senior girls at a two-course dinner given in honor of the team. The room was artistically decorated in red and black. Mr. Dean presided as toastmaster. Good fellowship was shown throughout the evening and the hope of more meetings of this sort was expressed by all.

## English Program



On Thursday and Friday evenings, April 14th and 15th, the English department gave two very interesting programs. The first night two delightful one-act plays were given. The first was "Six Who Pass While the Lentiles Boil," by Stuart Walker, and the second "Spreading the News," by Lady Gregory. The stage was very attractively decorated in the high school colors—red and black. On Friday night a Historical Pageant of Rensselaer was presented by the Sophomore class. This consisted of a prologue and six episodes illustrating the growth and development of Rensselaer.

## Senior Class Play

THE NEW CO-ED



### CAST OF CHARACTERS

Letitia Willis .....	Esther Zacher
Madge Stevens .....	Rose Reed
Estelle Doolittle .....	Sylvia Beaver
Miss Rice .....	Mae Lynge
May .....	} College Chums
Rose .....	
Grace .....	
Richard (Dick) Bradley .....	Boycie Lambert
"Punch" Doolittle .....	George Collins
Jim Young .....	Cecil Hudson
George Washington Watts .....	Paul Whitacre

### SYNOPSIS OF THE PLAY

The theme of the play is the arrival of a new student at college, her reception, her trials, and how they terminated.



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## Senior Prize Story

### "The Heart of the Bell"

"Ding, dong! Ding, dong!" This has been my cry for many, many years—years in which I have been discouraged and felt that my part in this world was very small; then again there were years filled with many joys. In 1882, when this house over which I rest was built, I was in the prime of youth, therefore I did not realize how much my work would mean. But day by day, and year by year, as I rang forth my call to the young lives, there came a deeper realization of my service, and I began to take toll of the talented ones who had responded so faithfully to my daily call for twelve years, afterward leaving to seek higher ideals and ambitions.

From my high and lofty tower, I have seen many changes take place during these years. New churches, a library, business houses and beautiful homes have been erected. Many modern conveniences have been added to the town. Automobiles have taken the place of houses and carts. Now the noisy aeroplane is rapidly buzzing its way to the place which the automobile once held. All of these inventions and changes are forcing the people to advance with the town and a greater desire for education has been shown. As the town grew, so did the schools. It did not take long to prove that my house was not large enough for so many students, therefore two fine new ones have been erected across the street. This was the time for my advancement. I now called the young students of all three buildings and I began to fully realize that at last I had reached my highest ambition. For now, as I send forth my loud ding, dong! ding, dong! ding, dong! I know that I, nothing but an old bell, stand for service and opportunity.

During these forty years I have been a source of trouble, likewise a source of joy. Many times I have been dissatisfied and my feelings badly hurt when some of my very own children, whom I called into training daily, and whom I guarded as tenderly as a mother, took away my voice and hid it, forcing me to remain silent for many weeks. My heart ached when in the early morning the old town clock would stretch her hands to 8:15, and I could not do my duty. But one day, the same boys who stole my voice returned it to me with many apologies.

Once during my life a hard misunderstanding took place between the school authorities and myself. They feared that I would fall and a large white circle was marked off beneath me, to prevent the children from being exposed to danger. I could not help but wonder why they should have such a foolish fancy. Am not I of greater value up here in my tower than I would be down there? To be quarantined like that for weeks made me feel sick, but when they saw that I preferred my original home, they took away (much to my delight) the quarantine.

Ding, dong! Ding, dong! Ding, dong! Today as I gazed about me I saw a small boy coming down the street. One look at him sent me back many years. For there was such a striking resemblance between this boy and one

who for many years has responded to my call. I could hardly believe my eyes; certainly this was Ross Dean again. The same old swing as he came down the street, and the same bashful manner led me back into the past; and I saw again the child, the boy and the man responding to my call for service. But I was soon brought back to the present when I saw the grown-up likeness of the child emerge from the high school and speak to his little son. Then came the thought, here is one who has answered my call to service and as a result has been one of the great forces in making this school what it has been and what it will be.

Then in memory I took toll of other talented ones. I found that I had sent forth many successful business men, lawyers, editors and teachers who have been a great influence to this community. Many of the boys and girls of yesterday are still answering my call today through another generation. Again I can see several of the little boys whom I watched over daily from the time they played marbles in the streets until they grew to youths, but who are now hustling physicians, hurrying to and fro ministering to the sick. And then came visions of Merle Gwin, Ira Washburn, Frank Hemphill and Arthur Kresler. Then Mary Washburn, daily tripping to my call of duty—little did I then think that a sculptress, whose fame would reach throughout the nations, would develop from this little character. Then came other artists—Flora Harris Prior, Florence Allman, Ruth Wood, Anna Leonard and Linnie Bird Raines. As I recall some of my children who are in far away countries, I can see Brenner, who is sailing the rolling blue seas and doing his duty for "Uncle Sam." One, out of my six hundred children, chose to work for Christ and is now a missionary in the far heathen country of India. I am sure that while Glen Wishard is doing this wonderful, sacrificial work, bringing these heathen inhabitants to Christ and pointing out to them the richer and purer life of a Christian, that he, too, believes in my motto of service and is serving these heathens in a way which he knows is right.

As I return from my vision of yesterday, I awake to the fact that graduation once again draws near and it is time to send this fine class of '21 into the world. I cannot help but wonder what their ambitions are and if this class will make good. I hope for the best and wish much success, just as I have to all other classes in the past. As the new class steps away from the twelfth or the last step of their school career, I sincerely hope that they will leave as fine a record in '22 as the Seniors of '21 are leaving. But dreaming time is over and duty calls me. Ding, dong! Ding, dong! Ding, dong! 8:15, May 27, 1921.

LILLIAN DAHNCKE, '21.

## The Shining Key of Luck

Twilight was gently spreading her coverlet of darkness over the land, and tinting the sky with soft, mellow colors. Dame Nature was in good humor, for she had joyously and gleefully, though carelessly, painted the sky with her brush of true art. Imperceptibly, yet swiftly, the colors were growing fainter and fainter. Here and there twinkling stars peeped out. The moon, like a huge ball of glowing coals, arose in the east in all her majesty. From the distance there could be heard the uncanny moaning of a dog and the monotonous croaking of frogs.

It was with a feeling of exultation that I looked out into the sweet balmy evening. Rover seemed to share the feeling with me, for he stretched his gaunt body, and sat on his haunches and howled to the moon. It was his way of expressing his joy of living.

The screen door behind me opened, and pretty, timid-hearted Rhoda came out to where I sat on the step of the piazza.

"Please, Mary," she pleaded, "come into the house!"

I laughed with merriment.

"Rhoda, child," I exclaimed, "do you mean to say that you want me to come into a four-sided room, when I have all the stars to look at here?" I playfully drew her down to my side. She nestled close, trembling while doing so.

"Why, dear," I cried in alarm, "you are shaking with cold!"

"No—not cold, Mary," she mournfully shook her curly head. "I'm afraid. Yes, you may laugh, but it is a great misfortune that Mother and Daddy were suddenly called away—, but it's a double misfortune to have five hundred dollars left in your care."

The lawn gate clicked. Like a timid faun, frightened, Rhoda raised her head.

"Mary!" she whispered, as she clutched my arm, "Mary!—listen."

"Rhoda, you little goose! Don't be silly! I tried to assure her that all was safe, but my heart beat loudly within me. Danger lurked in the air, for a huge bulky figure loomed before us, and with a slouching gait was shambling up to where we sat. A harsh, nasty smile distorted his features. His lips drawn back, like those of an angry dog, showed his huge, yellow, decayed teeth.

Rhoda shrieked, and nervously wringing her hands, shrank back against the screen door. Recovering my presence of mind, and knowing that Rover would be our only aid, I cried, "Rover! Chase him—chase him out!"

But Rover did not heed my command, instead, uttering a plaintive, uncanny, almost human cry, he shrank back, with fear written in his eyes. The vagabond laughed harshly and bitterly.

"Well, Miss Mary," he sneered, "he knows me too well. But let's talk business. Hurry, get that five hundred dollars and I'll leave you alone."

I jumped up in alarm. Here was no common tramp to deal with. I recognized at once that he was Joe Long, whom father had convicted of theft two years ago. No wonder Rover shrank back with fear, since the thief was his old, hated master.

"I'm sorry, but we have no money for you," I bravely lied.

"You're wrong," he harshly assured me, "I heard your father talking about it."

"I won't give it to you." I tried to speak calmly, but my heart was beating so fast that I thought I would suffocate.

"You won't, eh?" he mocked, stretching out his huge, filthy, flabby, hairy hands. Closer and closer he came. His bleared, blood-shot eyes gleamed with lust and greed. His filthy black hair clung in strands upon his red, perspiring forehead. Closer and closer came those grasping hands.

"Stand back, sir!" The crisp, clear command rang through the air.

The man halted, hesitated, and then slowly stepped back. A new Rhoda, with flashing eyes, thrust a glittering steel—a revolver—into the convict's face. With hands well above his head, he quickly backed through the gate. Firmly poised, Rhoda watched the outline of the convict fade from sight. The crunching of his shoes could still be heard on the gravel as father and mother were seen turning into the driveway.

With thanksgiving in my heart, I rushed to their protecting sides, and rapidly told our tale.

"A revolver!" exclaimed father, in surprise. "There is no revolver about this place."

"Yes, but she has one," I assured him.

We hurried to where Rhoda was standing, as if paralyzed, the revolver still in her hand. As father touched her, she fell limp into his arms. She had fainted. The revolver fell with a clatter. It was a large tin, toy key.

EDWINA SPANGLE, '22.

## The Old Iroquois

Beautiful river, dear old stream,  
Old and wonderful, full of dreams,  
Now slowly, now swiftly rushing on  
Ever the same from dark to dawn—  
The Old Iroquois.

Often on thy banks have I roamed,  
And watched thy swirling waters foam.  
Often in thy waters have I swum,  
And many a contest have I won  
In The Old Iroquois.



Just as the Indians long ago,  
I watch you flowing as I grow.  
Picked the wild grapes that hung  
And from the braided branches swung  
Across The Old Iroquois.

Flowers and trees may bloom and die;  
The birds and leaves may cease to fly.  
But the river, may it ever flow  
For other youth who daily go  
To The Old Iroquois.

H. RUSSEL PAULUS, '23.



## Idlers

There are many thoughtless ones traveling along the road of life. They are idlers, who partake not in the strife against sin. Few of these stop long enough to see the beauty of the commonplace. They are content to let the precious moments fly by without accomplishing one noble deed, or casting one ray of sunshine into some lonely corner of the needy world. They are idlers—who fear not the will of God, and who see not the beautiful gifts which drop from His mighty hand upon this world below. The land is heaped high with treasures—magnificent and bountiful treasures—which the idlers daily pass by, leaving them to be gathered by the seekers.

MABEL EISELE, '22.

## When the Truth Dropped Out of the Geographies

Can you picture how war-riddled, how shot through and through the good old, story-book geographies are? "Story" books they are, indeed, now. We did not dare use them this year and, of course, we could not use the newspapers, for they, too, are full of "stories." And, so, since we could not depend upon even old political boundaries, we were forced—"Ah-h, torture and torment, pain and despair!"—to recite out of the fullness of our ignorance, or prejudices, for we had prejudices. Never a recitation but resentment was cast at those so-called "chosen people" who sought with coal and iron, brimstone, gun cotton, and "kultur" to amalgamate the peoples of the whole earth.

Returned soldiers told us of shell-hole crucibles wherein seethed lava of blood and brawn, and of how, when Uncle Sam tipped the lid of the Kaiser's melting pot, the whole European mixture broke into spouting volcanoes that deluged Europe, bespattered remotest Asia, and splotched Africa and the islands of the sea, even little Yap.

It was then, when the cool, free air blew upon that molten lava of only partially amalgamated peoples, that old boundaries cracked, and a host of long-crushed, gangrenous, unpronounceable nations gasped into being. But how could we bound them? Carl Somers, a practical lad, said, "I 'spect, after such a war, there hain't 'nough surveyors nor chains left to stake the boundaries, unless the United States has lent 'em some." But it was Basil Arnott, an authority on forestry, who settled any attempt on our part to bound European countries, when he said, "There hain't 'nough timber left in Europe to make the stakes."

As to commerce, Jack Larsh, a student of international trade, assured us that "all newly-born nations have a most healthy ingoing transportation of American foodstuffs and ready-to-wear clothing, but always in the name of the American Red Cross, Hoover, or similar philanthropies."

For Asia we had neither returned soldiers nor missionaries, but Byron Hemphill, a resourceful individual, sought out certain church papers that discoursed on pestilences and famines over there. Raymond Herath, famed for his practical deeds, advocated sending the Asiatics improved farm machinery and tracts on scientific agriculture, but Harold Roth objected, first, "'cause the farms there ain't large enough for a plough to turn 'round, let alone a tractor or a thrashing machine," and, second, "their religions are against using methods their sacred ancestors have not used."

As to Africa, the general attitude of the class was that we had more information than was necessary. Julia Thornton was responsible for it: "A traveler in Africa wrote me that when the international melting pot boiled over, the German Hottentots were so bespattered with the blood of Englishmen, that they, the heathen, millions of them, occupying territory nearly as

vast as the United States, turned right about, and now are known as English Hottentots."

At this, keen-minded, wild-animal hunter, Elmer Sweeney, snorted skeptically. Edward Cain, always pacific, quickly suggested that we "leave off studying foreigners, and just study Jasper County. "Yes, that's what I say," spoke up Gladys Shaw. "I've had to eat salt to swallow everything that is told here." Everybody agreed. George Collins took time off from book-keeping to make the map. The livestock expert, Paul Randle, hastened out, and in less than a month returned, having counted more sheep, horses, cattle, and hogs than the county agent ever saw. Likewise, Russell Paulus tramped all over the county and chalked off 160,000 acres put out the past year to corn, oats, hay, wheat, etc.

It was, indeed, difficult in making reports to stick strictly to facts. We caught Fred Mustard in an "out an' out" when he said, "The soil is rolling around Rensselaer." William Grow explained interestingly how the farmers and the elevators boosted vast harvests on to ships bound for hungry nations; Irene Iliff endeavored to count the eggs that were laid during the year in Jasper County, and the chickens, after they were hatched; Mary Walters, with a tape-line, measured, during a January thaw, the entire length of our improved highways; Hattie Wasson, Willard Merritt, and Theresa Hoover greatly overstocked the High School museum with samples of all the products from our manufacturing plants; while Tommy Thompson volunteered to count the gold and silver coin stored in the banks of the county. He jingled coins during all his spare time and even until late the night before the final exams, but, impossible for the time allowed (six weeks). He barely could make a rough estimate of the enormous store in the banks of Rensselaer. Speaking of high finance recalls an item contributed by Gladys Walker on salaries, namely: "The corn huskers represent the highest paid profession in Jasper County." Pauline Comer, an expert climatologist, invested the cause for the huskers being so highly paid, and at the final meeting of the class reported that it was due entirely to our "modern climate."

MISS JESSIE MERRY.



## Alumni

To you, the Class of 1921, who are just ready to leave your Alma Mater, we, the alumni, extend to you our most hearty congratulations and best wishes for your future success. You have spent four years traveling that "flowery path of knowledge." To you it may seem a long and sometimes tiresome path; but when all is over are you really glad it has ended? It is only the beginning and consequently the most beautiful part of life's broad highway. Each step taken forward means greater reward. Keep going!

Class of 1921, we welcome you to the alumni of R. H. S.

LELAND COLLINS, President.

Sure, I want to keep in touch with the Rensselaer High School and its alumni. I am quite proud of the fact that I was a member of the graduating class of 1888, as we had a splendid class, I think of fifteen.

ALBERT FENDIG.

I have always been, as a student, and am, as an alumni, interested in what R. H. S. is doing. I am sure that the "Chaos" will bring back many enjoyable reminiscences of my school days, as well as aiding me to keep in touch with our dear old R. H. S.

You may be sure that I have only the very best wishes, for your class, for the Faculty and the school from which we are all proud to have graduated.

RAY ILIFF, Class of 1918.

It hardly seems possible that your class, who were Sophomores when I was graduated, are now about to be finished with your High School career. It is only a beginning of your life work and a stepping stone to high education, and I wish to congratulate the Class of 1921 and especially the "Chaos" staff on their efforts to publish an annual such as has never been equaled. It is something of which you may justly be proud. I wish the Class of 1921 much success in life, and each one of you have my heartiest personal congratulations.

W. L. LEIGHLY, Class of 1919.

I am only too glad to help a little with this sort of an enterprise and am wondering if it would not be possible for the "Chaos" to appear more often, say every second or third year, if a real annual is not considered possible.

HAYES W. YOUNG, Class of 1897.

I am glad indeed to help in every possible way such an admirable idea as that of a special alumni edition of the "Chaos."

KATHARINE M. GOODLOE, Class of 1900.

#### Class of 1880

Cotton, Arilla, 220 Irving St., Toledo, Ohio.  
Dwiggins, Elmer, New York, N. Y.  
Ferguson, Hattie Coen, Housekeeper, Chicago, Ill.  
Hollingsworth, Emmet L., Real Estate, Rensselaer, Ind.  
\*Loughridge, Victor E., Physician, died March 21, 1896.  
Patton, Lola Moss, 3911 Garrison Blvd., Baltimore, Md.  
Rinehart, Mattie McCoy, Housekeeper, Palmyra, Mo.  
Ross, Ora Thompson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Thompson, Delos, Banker, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Warner, Charles, Insurance Agent, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Watson, Belle Alter, Housekeeper, Washington, D. C.

#### Class of 1882

Kirk, Lilly Alter, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Leaming, Nellie Spitler, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Rheubelt, Ella Rhoades, Housekeeper, 211 Crescent Court, Louisville, Ky.  
Robinson, Ella Ryan, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

#### Class of 1885

\*Baker, Etta Spitler, died Sept. 24, 1908.  
Chilcote, Fred L., South Bend, Ind.  
\*Spitler, John E., died August 6, 1906.  
Washburn, Mary S., Sculptress, 1933 Rome St., Berkeley, Cal.

#### Class of 1886

Bartoo, Rena Peacock, Housekeeper, Remington, Ind.  
Fendig, Benjamin F., Druggist, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Hopkins, Albert R., Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Hopkins, Arthur H., Lawyer, Rensselaer, Ind.

#### Class of 1887

Bostwick, Frances McEwen, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Bruce, George, Real Estate Agent, Dart, Ark.  
Cornell, Bertie Duvall, 774 28th St., Milwaukee, Wis.  
Chilcote, Gaylord H., Manager D. C. Heath Co., 2619 Ashby Ave., Berkeley, Cal.  
\*Porter, Charles W., died October 29, 1909.  
Sigler, Sarah Chilcote, Housekeeper, Mount Ayr, Ind.  
Sparling, Samuel E., Gallion, Ala.  
\*Yoeman, Katie Green, died February 3, 1906.

#### Class of 1888

Chapman, Blanche Loughridge, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Duvall, Addie Chilcote, Housekeeper, Allentown, Ill.  
Fendig, Albert, Real Estate, 1521 Norwich St., Brunswick, Ga.  
\*Grant, Inez Hutson, died October 27, 1908.  
\*Horner, Angela Hammond, died November 3, 1903.

\*Deceased.

Irwin, Frances, Dressmaker, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Irwin, Schuyler, Attorney, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Ketchum, Stella A., Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Moss, George V., Frankfort, Ind.  
 \*Paxton, Mattie Moore, died.  
 \*Shaffner, Anna Erwin, died.  
 ✱Spitler, Maude E., Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 ✱Teter, Mary C., Housekeeper, Sheridan, Ark.  
 Vanatta, Robert M., Banker, National Bank Bldg., Marion, Ind.  
 Boughton, Edith Wilson, Housekeeper, Phillipsburg, Kan.

#### Class of 1889

Boughton, Lerie Wilson, Housekeeper, Syracuse, Kan.  
 Chilcote, Allie Kinney, Housekeeper, South Bend, Ind.  
 Coen, Nellie G., Toledo, Ohio.  
 Irwin, Edward W., Wolcott, Ind.  
 Nowels, Arthur S., Columbia City, Ind.  
 Wiley, Walter L., Insurance Agent, Home Office, Seattle, Wash.

#### Class of 1890

Coen, Fred, Gen. Mgr. Lake Shore Electric Co., Cleveland, Ohio.  
 Dunn, George N., Salesman, N. 538 Tuxedo Ave., Webster Grove, Mo.  
 Fendig, Samuel, Merchant, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Hardy, Nellie Hopkins, Housekeeper, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
 Hopkins, Louis F., Chicago, Ill.  
 Kohler, Peter, Chicago Heights, Ill.  
 Maloy, Frank, Operator, Lowell, Ind.  
 Moss, Susie Parker, Housekeeper, Frankfort, Ind.  
 Nowels, Cora Wasson, Housekeeper, Columbia City, Indiana.  
 Porter, Mamie Williams, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Washburn, Warren, Goodland, Ind.

#### Class of 1891

Hamilton, Louis, Publisher, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Hopkins, Alfred, Chicago, Ill.  
 Maloy, Emma Eger, Lowell, Ind.  
 Phillips, Augustus, Milford, Pa.  
 ✱Sperry, Ida Chilcote, Housekeeper, 115 South Capitol St., Pekin, Ill.  
 Warren, Alice Irwin, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Warren, Isaac N., Mail Carrier, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Wemple, Lyne Kelly, Housekeeper, 415 N. Park Ave., Madison, Wis.

#### Class of 1892

Daugherty, Maude, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Fritz, Blanche Alter, 1225 No. Beville St., Indianapolis, Ind.  
 Iliff, Mary McColly, Housekeeper, Parr, Ind.  
 Marshall, Edith, 2301 South Hope St., Los Angeles, Cal.  
 Vick, Allie Tyler, Housekeeper, Seattle, Wash.  
 Washburn, Ira M., Physician, Rensselaer, Ind.

\*Deceased.

#### Class of 1893

Burke, Effie Cowden, Walton, Ind.  
Cocn, Benjamin, Teacher, Agriculture College, Ft. Collins, Colo.  
Prior, Flora Harris, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Hoover, Frank, Agent, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Kelley, Chase, Madison, Wis.  
Peffley, Daisy Warner, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Tyler, Fred, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Wallace, Maude Irwin, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

#### Class of 1894

Coen, Jesse, Book Agent, Chicago, Ill.  
Fendig, Bernhart N., Merchant, Rensselaer, Ind.  
\*Marshall, Joseph H.  
Jenkins, Florence Neal, Housekeeper, Oakland, Cal.  
Parker, Oren, Merchant, Rensselaer, Ind.  
\*Spitler, Marion L., died February 24, 1921.  
Thompson, Ray D., Real Estate Agent, Rensselaer, Ind.

#### Class of 1895

Blue, Philip R., Attorney, Wheatfield, Ind.  
Carson, Orrie Clark, Housekeeper, 308 Thornell St., LaFayette, Ind.  
Collins, George, Merchant, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Flynn, Hallie A., Housekeeper, Chestertown, Ind.  
Harrison, Flora.  
Hunt, Helen Wasson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Iliff, Lettie Kohler, Housekeeper, 322 S. 4th St., Hoopston, Ill.  
McCarthy, Fannie, Nurse, Emergency Hospital, Wyandotte, Mich.  
Parkinson, William H., Attorney, LaFayette, Ind.  
Richardson, Berl, Principal High School, Lake Geneva, Wis.  
Wishard, Ernest E., Druggist, Indianapolis, Ind.

#### Class of 1896

Daley, Mable Sayler, 138 39th St., Detroit, Mich.  
Kresler, Arthur R., Physician, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Leopold, Moses, Attorney, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Parker, Cedella Harris, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Parker, Irma Kannal, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Reeves, Clyde, Farmer, R. R., Rensselaer, Ind.  
Scott, George, Insurance, Rensselaer, Ind.

#### Class of 1897

Andrus, Clara Parker, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Hoyes, Amanda, Bookkeeper, 1020 Central Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.  
Kelley, Frank, Farmer, Helena, Mont.  
\*Kurrie, Grace Thompson, died February 10, 1907.  
Marshall, Albert, Olene, Ore.  
Patterson, Pearl Blue, Housekeeper, New Boston, Ill.  
Young, Hayes W., Research Engineer, Midwest Gas Plant, Salt Creek, Wyo.

\*Deceased.

#### Class of 1898

Coe, Ethel Perkins, Housekeeper, Woodstock, Ill.  
Farnum, Bernice Warren, Housekeeper, Oklahoma City, Okla.  
Lewis, Clifford Moody, Housekeeper, R. F. D. No. 39, Waterville, Me.  
Mann, Earl, St. Louis, Mo.  
Congdon, Nora Morgan, 4937 Linsdale Ave., Detroit, Mich.  
McGimpsey, Lillian Nowles, Housekeeper, Longmont, Colo.  
Sparling, Edith Shedd, Housekeeper, Gallion, Ala.  
Teters, Nellie McCarthy, Housekeeper, Summer, Ore.  
Wilson, Gail Wasson, Housekeeper, Hammond, Ind.  
Wright, Mary Bates, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Work, Bessie Moody, Housekeeper, 7422 Kipling Ave., Detroit, Mich.

#### Class of 1899

Fox, Jesse, Compton, Ill.  
Gwin, Ellen, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Gwin, Merle D., Physician, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Haas, Julia Leopold, Housekeeper, Tipton, Ind.  
Loop, Lelia Travis, Society Editor Tribune, 321 E. Grant, Marion, Ind.  
Mills, Maude Healey, Housekeeper, Hamilton, Mont.  
Washburn, Elsie Watson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Wright, Mary Kohler, Housekeeper, 25 W. 15th Place, Chicago Heights, Ill.  
Graham, Lena Washburn, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Mills, Edward, Farmer, Hamilton, Mont.  
\*Parker, Wayne, died February 2, 1906.  
Vaughan, Letha Wright, Housekeeper, Chisholm, Minn.

#### Class of 1900

Anderson, Nora Morlan.  
Brown, Carolyn Marshall, Chief Clerk in Roadmaster's office, N. Y. Ry. Co.,  
308 N. 2d St., Yakima, Wash.  
Chapman, Freda Kohler, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Crockett, Robert, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Holeman, Mary Gilmore, Housekeeper, Butler, Ind.  
Goodloe, Kate Marshall, Housekeeper, Winslow, Ind.  
Maines, Lela Coen, Housekeeper, 122 E. Main St., Cuba, N. Y.  
Meyer, Grace Nowels, Housekeeper, 545 Jackson St., Gary, Ind.  
Meiserm, Nellie, address unknown.  
Phelps, Carrie Warren, Housekeeper, 930 W. 21st St., Oklahoma City, Okla.

#### Class of 1901

Comer, Esley Wasson, Housekeeper, Winchester, Ind.  
Eger, Juno Kannal, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Fendig, Ella Watson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Fidler, Chas. A., Physician, Milwaukee, Wis.  
Gwin, Blaine, care Pershing Drive, El Paso, Tex.  
Hancock, Floss Wright, Housekeeper, Morocco, Ind.  
Hemphill, Minnie, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Jacobs, Clara Fendig, Tampa, Fla.  
Kanne, Anna Luers, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Kenny, Lena Jackson, Housekeeper, 331 South Jackson St., Iowa City, Ia.



\*Kurrie, Edna Thompson, deceased.

Lang, Lillie, Educational Worker, 2603 W. Glass Ave., Spokane, Wash.

Malchow, Tillie, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

McCarthy, Frank, Physician, Terre Haute, Ind.

Mann, Charles, Mail Clerk, Biloxi, Miss.

Marshall, Hattie Eigesbach, Housekeeper, Olene, Ore.

Merry, Jessie, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

\*Mills, Emory S.

Porter, Mary.

Randle, Alice Shedd, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Robinson, Ilma, Stenographer, 301 Terminal Bldg., Oklahoma City, Okla.

Schmitter, Vesey Grow, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Shedd, Arthur, New York, N. Y.

Wheeler, Ada Nowels, Housekeeper, North Center St., Flora, Ind.

Wolfinger, Hattie Saylor, Housekeeper, Detroit, Mich.

#### Class of 1902

Dean, C. Ross, Supt. Public Schools of Rensselaer, Ind.

Duvall, Orabelle, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Eger, Trevor, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.

Grant, Bessie Eger, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Hemphill, George, 153 LaPorte Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Kaub, Verne, Watertown, Wis.

Knox, Alice Bates, Housekeeper, 7304 Yale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Knox, Rufus, 7304 Yale Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Mann, Jean McFarland, Housekeeper, Biloxi, Miss.

Martindale, Nina, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

McCurtain, Mable Houston, Housekeeper, Rock Springs, Wyo.

Moosemiller, Joseph, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Sigo, Isabelle Luers, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Tuteur, Arthur, Mgr. Bastian Bros. Corporation, 523 Merchants Bank Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind.

Weiss, Edna Wildberg, Housekeeper, Peoria, Ill.

Wishard, Glen, Secretary of Y. M. C. A., working in India.

Yoeman, Ray, engineer, 1712 Central Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

Yoeman, Roe E., Factory Manager, Rensselaer, Ind.

#### Class of 1903

Antrim, Elbert, Traffic Manager Chicago Tribune, Room 1100 Tribune Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

Comer, Pearl, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Day, Glenn, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Ferguson, Dee M.

Hammerton, Lemuel.

Lamson, Hazel, Teacher, 66 East 11th St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Kanne, Lizzie Luers, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Haig, Pearl McGee, Housekeeper, Bloomfield, Ind.

Rardon, Jessie Makeever, Parr, Ind.  
 Matheny, Murriell Donnelly.  
 Mills, Doris Porter, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Mills, Charles Howard, Banker, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 \*Moody, Tom, died March 31, 1908.  
 Halstead, Loa Pancoast, Housekeeper, R. R. 3, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Porter, G. Boyd, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Radcliff, Lillian Rhoades, Housekeeper, 3744 Spencer Ave., Norwood, Ohio.  
 Roth, Zelma Rayher, Housekeeper, Forest, Ind.  
 Sayler, Bernice, Teacher, Big Rapids, Mich.  
 Sayler, Iola Clift, Housekeeper, R. R. 3, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 \*Tillman, Bessie King, deceased.

#### Class of 1904

Yoeman, Lizzie Babcock, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Daugherty, Gail.  
 Galbraith, Ira L.  
 ✱Hemphill, Lizzie, Teacher, Tarpon Springs, Fla.  
 ✱Kresler, Franceska Eaglesbach, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 McGregor, Robert.  
 Parkison, Bessie Hardy, Housekeeper, R. R. 1, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Parkison, John R., Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Parkison, W. Kenton, Farmer, R. R. 1, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Ramey, Ellen Donnelly.  
 Sheetz, Robert A., Farmer, Remington, Ind.

#### Class of 1905

Barkley, Flossie Starr, Aberdeen, S. D.  
 Bruce, Salome Wood, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Coughlan, Grace E.  
 Day, Omar, Productor's Engineer, 1319 Hendricks St., Anderson, Ind.  
 Jones, Alice Drake, Gary, Ind.  
 Eger, Cleve W., Merchant, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Ellis, John D., Physician, Chicago, Ill.  
 Osborn, Anna Hermanson, Housekeeper, Francesville, Ind.  
 Hershman, May Wright, Housekeeper, Crown Point, Ind.  
 Imes, Ioma I.  
 Knox, William P., 6342 Cornell Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
 Huntington, Jessie Knox, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Lamson, Helen, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Kahler, Edith Strickfaden, Housekeeper, Noblesville, Ind.  
 Larue, Wade F., Dentist, 914 North Meridian St., Indianapolis, Ind.  
 Yoeman, Blanche McCarthy, Housekeeper, 1712 Washington St., Columbus, Ind.  
 Underwood, Hazel McColly, Hindsdale, Mont.  
 Thompson, Thena Meyer, Housekeeper, Winamac, Ind.  
 Norris, Grace E., Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Parcels, Rue P., Dentist, 2117 Polk St., Amarillo, Tex.  
 Mills, Martha Parkison, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Ross, Thompson, Banker, 559 Surf St., Chicago, Ill.  
Saidla, Earl.  
Skidmore, Josie Porter, Housekeeper, Sentone, Mich.  
Spitler, Woodhull I., 111 East 60th St., Chicago, Ill.  
Thompson, Firman, Salesman, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Park, Lena Tuteur, Housekeeper, 622 Twelfth St., Richmond, Cal.  
Hamilton, Hazel Warner, Housekeeper, Erie, Pa.  
Beeler, Myra Watson, Housekeeper, 4143 Carrollton Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.  
Wilcox, Beatrice Yates, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

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Adams, Jean Sigler, Housekeeper, 1110 W. 104 Place, Chicago, Ill.  
Armstrong, Cora Dexter, Housekeeper, 74 Masesoit St., Northampton, Mass.  
Brenner, Florence Marshall, Housekeeper, 644 Locust St., Las Animas, Colo.  
Carson, Mary Adams, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Chadbourne, Cecilia Hollingsworth, Housekeeper, Centerville, Tenn.  
Crisler, Ethel.  
Daniels, Guy.  
\*Drake, Nell, deceased.  
Gaines, Rilla, Duluth, Minn.  
Gerber, Guy.  
Gwin, Perry, 1403 Floren St., El Paso, Tex.  
Gordon, Josie Miller, Housekeeper, Blountsville, Ind.  
Hardman, Frank, Chicago, Ill.  
Hauter, Lillo, Extension Editor & County Agent, State College, N. M.  
Hauter, Percy, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Hoerner, Owen, Farmer, Medaryville, Ind.  
Kahler, Flora, Dyer, Ind.  
Lewis, Pearl Critchelow.  
Lowe, Dave, Farmer, Medaryville, Ind.  
Lutz, Walter, Farmer, Austin, Minn.  
Marshall, Lucille, Stenographer, Medford, Ore.  
Marlatt, Grace Daugherty, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
McFarland, Gaylord, Mgr. Lingnistra Fibre Products Co., 802 Cornell St.,  
Baberton, Ohio.  
Pancoast, Oka, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.  
\*Parkison, Harriet, died October 13, 1908.  
Parkison, Jane, Teacher, 6032 Kimbark Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
Kanne, Elizabeth Reiddle, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Sheetz, Myra Galbraith, Housekeeper, Remington, Ind.  
Stevenson, Hazel, Housekeeper, 104 W. Ridge St., Marquette, Mich.  
Tuteur, Herman, Merchant, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Wolverton, Grace Warren, Housekeeper, 913 Arlington Ave., Lawton, Okla.  
Willey, Thomas, Spokane, Washington.  
Yoeman, Maribel Parkinson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Zeigler, Lela Grant, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

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\* Bell, Edith Adams, Housekeeper, 214 East 12th St., Tulsa, Okla.  
Archer, Mamie.

Brenner, Ivan, Surgeon, 135 E. Washington St., Winchester, Ind.  
Bruner, Earl, Mgr. Baroda Telephone Co., Baroda, Mich.  
Maines, Eva, Bookkeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Warner, Georgia Harris, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Wilcox, Elmer, Telegraph Operator, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Waymire, Clara Brusnahan, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Casey, Ella.  
Daugherty, Zelda.  
Dean, Delos, Attorney, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Dobbins, Homer.  
Duvall, Carl, Traveling Auditor, 512-520 Majestic Bldg., Detroit, Mich.  
Duvall, Irene.  
Glazebrook, Paul.  
Gunyon, Luvie, Nurse, 201 W. 2d Ave., Mitchell, S. D.  
Goodman, Helen Hopkins, 327 Avarardo St., Redlands, Cal.  
Hoch, Ora Yoeman, Housekeeper, Homewood, Ill.  
Huston, Glenn.  
Parsons, Marguerite Irwin, Housekeeper, Monon, Ind.  
Jessen, Clare, Oculist, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Jewell, Edna Fendig, Housekeeper, 1221 N. 9th St., LaFayette, Ind.  
Kahler, Agnes.  
Kindig, Avaline.  
Osborne, Vera Lefler.  
Lane, Grace Worland, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Lovelace, Mollie McElfresh, Housekeeper, Battle Creek, Mich.  
Milliron, Robert.  
Moore, Eva, Stenographer, Chicago, Ill.  
Long, Nell Moody, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Clouse, Fern Osborne, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Parker, Ferne.  
Parker, Hazel.  
Parkison, George, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Ross, Bradley, Real Estate, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Brunsdon, Ina Shesler, Housekeeper, 32 Waltham St., Hammond, Ind.  
Warner, Rex, Merchant, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Yoeman, Devere, Columbus, Ind.

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Biggs, Mildred, Postal Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Biggs, Nell, Nurse, Chicago, Ill.  
Gorham, Norman, Farmer, Remington, Ind.  
\*Gwin, Hayes, died August 5, 1910.  
Huxford, Allen.  
Kays, Maribel.  
Kirk, Lois Thompson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Lamson, Leon, Mgr. Fruit Ranch, Devore, Cal.  
Larue, Emmet, Attorney, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Long, George, Druggist, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Luers, Mary Jacks, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

\*Hooker, Katherine Marlatt, died October 15, 1906.  
 McDonald, Blanche Cook, Housekeeper, McCoysburg, Ind.  
 Michaels, Mae Petit, Housekeeper, Roselawn, Ind.  
 Neal, Bel Larue, Housekeeper, 8826 Petoskey Ave., Detroit, Mich.  
 Pierce, Carrie, Music Teacher, Lincoln, Ill., schools, 202 S. Locust St., Greencastle, Ind.  
 Reeve, Leo, Postal Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Reeve, True Bruner, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Robinson, Grace, Box 273, Drumright, Okla.  
 Ryan, Alice, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Shedd, Harriett, Teacher, 633 Ninth St., Douglas, Ariz.  
 Tanner, Emma.  
 Wells, Pearl Wasson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Woodworth, Vaughn, Minister, Philips, S. D.

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Alter, Hally, Housekeeper, Parr, Ind.  
 Bringle, Orvel, Rural Mail Carrier, Remington, Ind.  
 \*Bringle, Ross, deceased .  
 Bruce, Carrie Jasperson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Duvall, Edgar, Knightstown, Ind.  
 English, Blanche Babcock, Housekeeper, 624 N. 6th St., LaFayette, Ind.  
 English, Walter, Mechanic, 624 N. 6th St., LaFayette, Ind.  
 Fisher, Clara, Stenographer, 443 Becker St., Hammond, Ind.  
 Gundy, Roy, Plant Supt. Bell Telephone Co., 44 Rimback Ave., Hammond, Ind.  
 Hammond, Ralph, Division Supt. Acheson Graphite Co., 51 Duane Ave., LaSalle Ave., New York, N. Y.  
 Harsha, Ellen Childers, Housekeeper, Shelby, Ind.  
 Spitler, Edna Hauter, Housekeeper, Chicago, Ill.  
 Healy, Alonzo, Musician, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Hermansen, Ethel, Stenographer, 2643 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.  
 Jordan, James, Farmer, Riverside, Ill.  
 Leas, Myrtle Sard, Housekeeper, 28 South 29th St., LaFayette, Ind.  
 Luers, Rose, Bank Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Murray, Helen, Teacher of Household Arts, 668 E. 11th St., Indianapolis, Ind.  
 Myers, Floyd, Real Estate, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Osborne, Omar, Assistant Engineer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Overton, LaVera Lee, Housekeeper, Monon, Ind.  
 Otterberg, Ethel Jacks, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Parks, Myrtle York, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Pollard, Grace Peyton, Housekeeper, 718 E. High St., Colorado Springs, Colo.  
 Regas, Madeline Ramp, Housekeeper, New Orleans, La.  
 Ross, Livingston, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Seegrist, Walter, Farmer, Teft, Ind.  
 Snorf, Marceline Roberts, Chicago, Ill.  
 Stump, Emma Rayher.  
 Woodward, Judith, 3761 Pine Grove St., Chicago, Ill.

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Abbott, Gladys Reeve, Housekeeper, 3815 Drumer St., Indiana Harbor, Ind.  
Allman, Kenneth, Bookkeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Casey, George, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Clarke, Fay, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Clarke, Alice Coen, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
\*Drake, Madie, deceased.  
Haas, Verne, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Smith, Mary Harper, Housekeeper, Delphi, Ind.  
Harris, Addie, Teacher, Tefft, Ind.  
Harris, Muriel, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Hemphill, Harvey, Blacksmith, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Holmes, Sarah, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Hopkins, Lloyd, Assistant Cashier, Mt. Ayr, Ind.  
Jackson, Gertrude, Teacher, Boswell, Ind.  
Jordan, Chede, 201 Jefferson Ave., Laporte, Ind.  
Kirk, Hugh, Automobile Dealer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
\*Knox, John, died.  
Leopold, Selma, Colorado Springs, Colo.  
Blakemore, Nell Meyers, Housekeeper, Kennet, Mo.  
Merica, Dean, Electrician and Mechanic, Villa Park, Ill.  
Molitor, William, Farmer, Payne, Ohio.  
\*Moorehouse, Harry.  
Morlan, Forest, Clerk, 509 Englewood Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
Michael, Mary Pierce.  
Norman, Jessie Hanson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Porter, Merl, Grand Rapids, Mich.  
Ryan, Nell, Primary Teacher, Gary, Ind.  
Sage, Lois McCarthy, Housekeeper, Rochester, Ind., R. R. 4.  
Stucker, Raymond, Banker, Mt. Ayr, Ind.  
Rupe, Edna King, Warsaw, Indiana.

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Albin, Grace, Nurse, Chicago, Ill.  
Arnold, Helen Meader, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Babcock, Delvan, Linotype Operator, Terre Haute, Ind.  
Baumgartner, Dora Kahler, Housekeeper, Chicago, Ill.  
Beam, Don, Operator, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Britt, Charles W., Farmer, R. F. D., Parr, Ind.  
Brown, Bertha Daniels, Housekeeper, 2727 Warren Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
Burnhardt, Agnes Platt, Housekeeper, Remington, Ind.  
Clarke, Elizabeth Spitler, Housekeeper, Wheatfield, Ind.  
Clarke, Elton R., Indianapolis, Ind.  
Colvert, Bernice Hammond, Housekeeper, 16 E. 15th St., Chicago Heights, Ill.  
Crowder, Hazel Jacks, Housekeeper, 2407 E. 10th St., Indianapolis, Ind.  
Daugherty, Rosabel, Student, Upland, Ind.  
Ellis, James H. S., Advertising Writer, 6743 Blackstone Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
Fendig, Bertha Kepner, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Harper, Ruth, Teacher of Home Economics, 108 E. North St., Marshalltown, Iowa.

Long, Lesta Wasson, Housekeeper, 2024 N. LaSalle St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Payne, Irene Simpson, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Platt, Stella, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Orwig, Wilma Peyton, Chicago, Ill.

Smith, Clarence, Springfield, Ill.

Stockton, Blanche, Housekeeper, Brook, Ind.

Parks, Alice.

Parker, Ethel.

Strawbridge, Martha Long, Housekeeper, 611 E. Jefferson St., Laporte, Ind.

Warner, Dale, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

Worden, William, Grocer, Rensselaer, Ind.

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Allman, Esther Padgitt, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Allman, Florence, Music Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

Clark, Mae, Teacher, Beardstown, Ill.

Crisler, Jennie Comer, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

\*Davison, Bernice Rhodes, deceased.

Davis, Ethel.

French, Lois Meader, Housekeeper, 9361 Vanderpool Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Goss, Edna Babcock, Housekeeper, Remington, Ind.

Groom, John, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Hammond, Herbert, Rensselaer, Ind.

Hanley, Cope, Attorney, Rensselaer, Ind.

Harris, Charles, Farmer, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

Hemphill, John, Mgr. Nat. Bureau of Analysis, 637 Harrison Place, Oak

Park, Ill.

Keeney, Rose, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Kolhoff, Angela, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Parkison, Edward, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Parkison, Ruth.

Pierce, Gladys, Teacher at Casey, Ill., 202 S. Locust St., Greencastle, Ind.

Reeves, Joseph, Court Reporter, Rensselaer, Ind.

Robinson, Edna, Rensselaer, Ind.

\*Robinson, Virgil, deceased.

Sawin, Nellie, Stenographer, Edinburg, Ind.

Thompson, Alfred, Life Insurance, Chicago, Ill.

Teuter, Maurine, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Waymire, Grace, Stenographer, LaFayette, Ind.

Webber, Hazel Tobin, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

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Allman, Aileen, Teacher, Batavia, Ill.

Adams, Lee, Auto Dealer, Ottawa, Ill.

Babcock, William J. C., Mechanic, Rensselaer, Ind.

Howell, Mary Brown, Teacher, 901 W. Cooper St., Butte, Mont.

Brusnahan, Stanilas, Farmer, Parr, Ind.

Bush, Walter, Farmer, Medaryville, Ind.

\*Childers, Mary, deceased.

Dexter, Josie.

Gish, Roy, Farmer, Brook, Ind.

Hamilton, Fred, Auto Dealer, 412 East Church St., Santa Maria, Cal.

Kessinger, Blanche, Teacher, McCoysburg, Ind.

Kessinger, Minnie, Teacher, R. F. D., Wheatfield, Ind.

LaRue, Ray, Real Estate, Rensselaer, Ind.

Miller, Nellie Parker, Housekeeper, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

Moody, Granville, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Moore, Ernest, Druggist, Morocco, Ind.

Murray, Gerald Edson, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.

Nagle, Elizabeth Kahler, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Padgitt, Thomas, Mechanic, Rensselaer, Ind.

Pollard, Leslie, Traveling Salesman, 718 E. High St., Colorado Springs, Colo.

Pruette, Ruth.

Robinson, Edwin, Rensselaer, Ind.

Ryan, Florence, Home Service Sec. Red Cross, Rensselaer, Ind.

Sage, Albert, Farmer, Godland, Ind.

Sayler, Pauline, Housekeeper, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

Gilmore, Anna Stockstick, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Shesler, John, Dentist, Genoa, Ill.

Thompson, Simon, Mechanic, Rensselaer, Ind.

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Barton, Orpha, Farmer, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

Bringle, Amy M.

Chamberlain, Jennie, Teacher, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

Cook, Ferne Tilton, Housekeeper, McCoysburg, Ind.

Crooks, William D., Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.

Daniels, Gertrude Faylor, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Delong, Nellie H., Housekeeper, Roselawn, Ind.

Fidler, Harold, Fireman Standard Oil Co., 431 Oliver St., Whiting, Ind.

Garriott, Ernest, Farmer, Whiting, Ind.

Garriott, Neva, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

Groom, Kenneth.

Hanley, Emil W., Druggist.

Healey, George W., Linotypist, Frankfort, Ind.

Honan, Edward M., Real Estate, Beckinridge, Tex.

Johnson, Lucy Harris, Teacher and Housekeeper, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

Lakin, Ralph, Farmer, Parr, Ind.

Loughridge, Majorie, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

McCarthy, Worth, Student, 62771 Penn St., Glencoe Apt. 4, Indianapolis, Ind.

Makeever, Gay, Teacher, R. F. D., Fair Oaks, Ind.

Martin, Isabel L., Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Miller, Paul G., Dentist, Irvington, Ill.

Moore, Ethel Clark, Housekeeper, Morocco, Ind.



Parker, Marion A., Teacher, Box 115, Oak Hill, W. Va.  
Price, Edna.  
Reeve, Hazel, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Sawin, Ransom F., Student, Edinburg, Ind.  
Rose, Edward W., Rensselaer, Ind.  
Thomas, Lura Halleck, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Thompson, Emily, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Tilton, Beatrice, Teacher, McCoysburg, Ind.  
Wilcox, Laban R., Student Purdue, LaFayette, Ind.  
Warren, Lorene.  
Hadley, Katherine Watson, Chicago, Ill.

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Adams, Marguerite Brown, Housekeeper, 611 Clinton St., Ottawa, Ill.  
Babcock, James B., Farmer, Parr, Ind.  
Branson, Blanche Ott, Housekeeper, Goodland, Ind.  
Brown, Marie Barkley, Housekeeper, R. R. 1, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Brusnahan, Lucy Marie, Stenographer, 9631 Vanderpool Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
Coovert, Mollie Johnson, Housekeeper, Mt. Ayr, Ind.  
Dunker, Helen Kessinger, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
English, Harry E., Doctor, LaFayette, Ind.  
Garriott, Orabelle King, Housekeeper, Whiting, Ind.  
Hoa, C. P., Missionary Worker in Japan.  
Hoover, Victor B., Mechanic, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Hopkins, Pfrimmer R., Farmer, Morocco, Ind.  
Howe, Agnes.  
Huff, Ada Rozella.  
Huff, Eva Coen, Housekeeper, Goodland, Ind.  
Jacks, Florence, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Leonard, Ann, Musician, Francisville, Ind.  
Long, Gaylord, Mechanic, 151 Garfield St., Valparaiso, Ind.  
Miller, Marie Hamilton, Housekeeper, Indianapolis, Ind.  
Miller, Pearl McConohay, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Nevill, Marie, Teacher, Yoder, Colo.  
Norman, Paul, Elevator Operator, Bryan, Ohio.  
Padgitt, George, Salesman, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Platt, Robert, Patient, Marine Hospital, Evansville, Ind.  
Price, Manley, Farmer, Otterbein, Ind.  
Odom, Mary Pullins, Medaryville, Ind.  
Putts, Fred, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Klinefelter, Luella Robinson, Housekeeper, 202 First Ave., Dickinson, N. D.  
Roper, Vena Haworth, Casper, Wyo.  
Sawin, Edith, Student, Edinburgh, Ind.  
Simons, Owen M., Mechanic, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Swaim, Glenn, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Vanarsdel, Russel I., Farmer, Valparaiso, Ind.  
Walker, Iler D., Clerk, Ft. Dodge, Iowa.  
Warner, James, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Warren, Russell, Rensselaer, Ind.

Wasson, Marie, Bookkeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Hanson, Vera West, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Eigelsbach, William, Butcher, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Wiseman, Esther, Teacher, Virgie, Ind.  
 Worland, Flora Helen, Stenographer, 602 Plain St., Laporte, Ind.  
 Zimmerman, Ione, Bookkeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

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\*Allman, Elvyn, died.  
 Babcock, Margaret, Student, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Benson, Elsie, Teacher, South Bend, Ind.  
 Benson, Senia, Stenographer, Mt. Ayr, Ind.  
 Brown, Leota Dirst, Housekeeper, Morocco, Ind.  
 \*Elder, Maude, died.  
 Eigelsbach, Carl, Chicago, Ill.  
 Fidler, Ray, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Daugherty, Evelyn Freeland, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Gant, Orphia.  
 Healey, Vera, Stenographer, Frankfort, Ind.  
 \*Healey, Paul, Shoemaker, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Hill, Frank, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Hollingsworth, Emmet, Flint, Mich.  
 Kannal, Gwendolyn, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Lakin, Ross, Farmer, Parr, Ind.  
 Leatherman, Helen, Member of R. H. S. Faculty, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Logan, Marie.  
 Luers, Lucille, Stenographer, Chicago, Ill.  
 Meader, Marion.  
 Nowels, Doris Morlan, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 McKay, Florence.  
 Norris, Marguerite, Teacher.  
 Reeve, Robert, Mail Carrier, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Shirer, Victoria Marsh, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Worland, Mabel, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Yoeman, Elizabeth, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Lesh, Bernice Yoeman, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Paulus, Leila, Student, Indianapolis, Ind.

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Arnott, Gladys, Stenographer, Fort Wayne, Ind.  
 Barber, James, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Bever, Mamie, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Caine, Martha.  
 Collins, Hershell, Dressmaker, Guy Mills, Pa.  
 Crooks, French, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Guild, Daniel, Farmer, Medaryville, Ind.  
 Houston, Cynthia.  
 Lee, Cecil, Buttermaker, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Loy, Robert, Student, Chicago, Ill.  
 McNemar, Wilda Littlefield, Washington, D. C.

Moore, Harry, Taxi Driver, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Reed, Seth, employed in factory, Buchanan, Mich.  
 Snow, Harvey.  
 Swain, Mary Comer, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Thurlow, Dale, Motion Picture Operator, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Vanatta, Marjory, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Watson, Cornelia Leonard, Housekeeper, Valparaiso, Ind.  
 Waymire, Minnie, Student, Indianapolis, Ind.  
 Line, Mary Wagner, Buchanan, Michigan.  
 Wright, Helena, Stenographer, Peru, Ind.  
 York, Howard, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Hanson, Gravalous, Chicago, Ill.  
 Wood, Ruth, Musician, Chicago, Ill.

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Arnott, Paul, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Beam, Paul, Student, Illinois University, Champaign, Ill.  
 Beaver, Irene McAleer, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Brusnahan, Edwin, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Clarke, Russell, Druggist, Morocco, Ind.  
 Carr, Lenore, Bank Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Freeland, Jackson, Farmer, Mt. Ayr, Ind.  
 Gourley, Leonard, Heater at Open Hearth Steel Mill, 408 Conn. St., Gary, Ind.  
 Harris, Maria, Teacher, Mt. Ayr, Ind.  
 Halleck, Charles, Student, Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.  
 Hoover, George, Accountant, 820 S. 49th St., Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Huntington, Ira, Student, Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind.  
 Iliff, Ray, Bookkeeper, The Alabama Apt., Apt. 506, Washington D. C.  
 Johnson, Worth, Merchant Marines, Buenos Ayres, S. A.  
 Kight, Dorsey.  
 King, Elizabeth, Physical Culture Director, Rensselaer Public Schools, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 King, Walter, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Karr, Esther, Student, Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, Mich.  
 Keifer, Bernice Long, Housekeeper, 14814 Clifton Boulevard, Lakewood, Cleveland, Ohio.  
 Larson, Emma Benson, Housekeeper, Fowler, Ind.  
 Martindale, Thelma, Bank Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 McLain, Lawrence, Student, Purdue University, LaFayette, Ind.  
 McColly, Harry, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Potts, Orie, Cost Accountant, 207 "C" St., N. W., Washington. D. C.  
 Pullins, Ronald, Farmer, Medaryville, Ind.  
 Parkinson, Helen, Student, Purdue University, LaFayette, Ind.  
 Raines, Linnie Bird, Musician, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Robinson, Opal, Stenographer, 105 East 7th Ave., Gary, Ind.  
 Rhoades, Edwin, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Roth, Jay Dee, Student, LaFayette, Ind.  
 Rush, Mildred, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.  
 Sage, Harold, Student, Earlham College, Richmond, Ind.  
 Shultz, Walter, Farmer, Parr, Ind.

Swaim, Leonard.

Tilton, Thelma, Stenographer, LaFayette, Ind.

Warren, Stuart, 214 North East St., Indianapolis, Ind.

Weiss, Harold, Student, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.

Witham, Elizabeth, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.

Wasson, William, Proprietor of Restaurant, Brook, Ind.

Waymire, Hattie, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Weging, Marie.

West, Faustine, Stenographer, Rensselaer, Ind.

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Babcock, Frank, Farmer, Goodland, Ind.

Chamberlain, Cathryn, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

Collins, Leland, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.

Crooks, Jeanette, Student, Western College, Peabody Hall, Oxford, Ohio.

Dahncke, Louise, Stenographer, 4342 Monroe St., Chicago, Ill.

Dunlap, John R., Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind., R. R. 3.

Freeland, Ivah Poole, Housekeeper, R. R. 3, Rensselaer, Ind.

Folger, Francis, Primary Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

Gilbranson, Pauline, Rensselaer, Ind.

Gorham, Lester, Operator, Dyer, Ind.

Harris, Ernst, Student, Purdue, LaFayette, Ind.

Hudson, Sophia, Teacher, Virgie, Ind.

Jones, Mildred, Student, Battle Creek, Michigan.

Kepner, Ora, Clerk, Rensselaer, Ind.

Knaur, Daisy, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

Knox, Lucille, Rensselaer, Ind.

Kruse, Esther, Stenographer, Chicago, Ill.

Lambert, Ada, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

Leighly, William, Teacher, Grant Park, Ill.

Macy, Carl, Lilly Chemical Company, Indianapolis, Ind.

Makeever, Marion, Farmer, R. F. D., Oswego, N. Y.

Mauck, Lucy, Housekeeper, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

Maxwell, Bertha, Rensselaer, Ind.

McElfresh, Jennie, Rensselaer, Ind.

Merica, Forrest, Student, Bloomington, Ind.

More, Marie, Clerk, 555 Douglas Ave., Hammond, Ind.

Murphy, Ruth, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

O'Neal, Sarah Alice, Student, Blomington, Ind.

Ott, Lilly Price, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Phegley, Halley, Farmer, Rensselaer, Ind.

Price, Irene, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

Randle, Walter, Student, Purdue, LaFayette, Ind.

Reed, Edna, Teacher, Rensselaer, Ind.

Reynolds, Maude, Skater, No. 5 Lisle St., Leicester Square, London, England.

Robinson, Ada, Bookkeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

Ryan, Frances, Student, Battle Creek, Michigan.

Schleman, Paul, Student, 3711 Brush Boulevard, Detroit, Mich.

Standish, Lera, Mt. Ayr, Ind.

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Delong, Mary Hordeman, Housekeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.  
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Holmes, Ethel, Rensselaer, Ind.  
Hudson, John, Upholsterer, Rensselaer, Ind.  
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✱ Werner, Karine, Rensselaer, Ind.  
✱ Yoeman, Edna, Bookkeeper, Rensselaer, Ind.

# The Departments

## HISTORY

History to many people is an interesting story book. It is a story—the story of the life and development of man; his experiences and achievements in the organization of the great institutions upon which our lives, socially and civilly, depend. With a better understanding of the past, an insight, into the forces operating in human society, we are able to meet and adjust ourselves to the present.

Two and one-half years of history work are given in the Rensselaer High School. The Sophomore year deals with early European History, and gives a basis for the rest of the work, by furnishing a concise and connected account of human progress during ancient and medieval times. This covers the organization of early society, civic institutions, and the rise and spread of that dominant factor, Christianity.

Modern European History is given in the Junior year. Although this course is elective, many feel that the present can be better understood through a knowledge of the vast changes of the past two centuries.

The first semester of the Senior year is given to the study of our own country. The United States, the youngest of the world's great nations, is the evolutionary product of the civil, economic, and social conditions of the past.

The forms and functions of American government furnishes the work for the second semester of the Senior year. The aim of the course is to awaken civic consciousness and civic responsibilities.

At the present time, the chief aim of all history work is to make better Americans, whether the text work deals with the Greek, Romans, Modern European, or Americans. The History department aims to carry out its project by class discussion, collateral readings, reports or debates, with much attention given to the correlation of the past and present.

The City Library furnishes ample material for collateral readings, and each student has access to a standard weekly publication for current event reports.

## ENGLISH

The English language should fill a greater place in the life of the youth of our land than the home and the school have made it do. As the country develops in wealth and democracy, there comes to the people more leisure hours, and likewise, the nation expects from the people finer expression in manners and language.

Our language is beautiful. It possesses vitality, color and tone. It has the best from all the languages that mankind has spoken. It is imperfect in that it is unfinished. Our language is like the child—daily unfolding, daily becoming. In its force of growth and power, it is as the soul of the American people. It is the American people. Men and women who come to our land should understand that we are proud of the language which we speak;

they should get from us that we are proud to study in order to speak our "mother tongue" more beautifully.

Therefore, the one way to make us more patriotic in respect to our English language is to create a love for it, and to build a standard for ourselves in the use of it, that will not permit us to be content to express ourselves in any other manner than in the best American speech.

## FRENCH

The aim of the two-year High School French course is three-fold: (1) To give the students a grammatical basis, so that they can speak and write the language with a certain amount of fluency; (2) to enable them to understand simple spoken French; (3) to give them a reading knowledge of the language.

Along with providing a clear understanding of the grammatical relations of the language, an attempt is made to interest the students in the use of the language by introducing games which necessitate some facility in the use of the language in their playing, and the dramatizing of short French folk-tales. Such methods may seem irrelevant to class-room work, but they accomplish their ends by providing concrete uses for the principles learned, along with the added interest of playing a game: In other words, they sugar-coat the bitter pill of formal grammar, with the result that it is taken much more easily, and the results are equally as effective as though "pure and unadulterated."

## LATIN

Upon a first-hand acquaintance with Latin classics, the appreciation of English and of all modern literature depends. The knowledge of the history of institutions and of art depends upon a knowledge of the classics. No better training in logical processes was ever devised than the discipline which the study of Latin affords; there is no discipline more thoroughly systematized, more uniform, or more definite. The man without training in Latin can not know what he lacks, but he lacks much in ability to speak and write English. Latin is a key which should be in the hands of everyone who has occasion to open an English dictionary. It has been estimated by competent investigators that one-fourth of the Latin vocabulary has passed into English. Of these Latin words a very large number have come in without change of form, and some of them still retain their original inflections. A grip upon the Latin language itself is, however, of practical, everyday use—not merely for the drawing room, but for office, the store and the street.

## THE SCIENCES

On the second floor of the High School building, there is a spot inhabited by a bit of nature, such as living gold fish and blossoming plants. Here, the Freshmen are first introduced into the mysteries and intricacies of that realm. It is here that we are trying to teach them the necessary truths to be learned concerning the study of Botany and Zoology.

A little further down the hall, there is a place given over to bottles, queer apparatus and vile smells. Here, the Juniors and Seniors are allowed to experiment and probe into the hidden truths and principles as found in the subjects of Chemistry and Physics.

In both these places, not only are we trying to teach the fundamentals of this part of the curriculum, but we are trying to teach some of life's worthwhile things, namely, patience, consideration for others, independence of thought, and self-expression.

### THE DEVELOPMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Mathematics is a universal language, one that has lived through many thousand years. The science of mathematics was not born in a day, it is not the child of some fertile mind, nor was it created by a group of men. It did not spring fully organized into being, but had a long period of evolution. Its beginnings are enshrouded in the mysteries of unwritten history.

From the beginning of time, mankind has had a knowledge of mathematics. Evidences of this fact are shown in the various projects of early man; the measuring of land; calculating the time; architectural constructions; and astronomical calculations. The earliest documents on geometry that have been found were written about 2000 B. C., by the Egyptians and Babylonians. A crude form of algebra is found in some of these documents. Many of the fundamental principles of geometry were developed and organized by Euclid, Archimedes, and Pythagoras, before the time of Christ, and mathematics has undergone but few changes since their day. Some unnecessary parts have gradually been discarded, but the essentials remain unchanged.

Thousands of years of existence! What has kept it alive? Why does it occupy such a place in our school curriculum today? It was born out of necessity, and through necessity has become the tool of all peoples of the globe; and through necessity will live through the countless ages to be. It is one of the fundamentals of everyday life. Mathematics appeals to the majority of students because of its nature. It is like a puzzle, and requires a solution. It teaches the pupil to think, and he realizes, possibly for the first time, that he is learning to think and reason for himself and enjoys the sensation.

### MUSIC AND ART

Music is one of man's methods of expressing his finer sentiments. It is the universal language and by means of it incentives are created which move the race onward and upward. The young and old, the rich and poor, are moved by its influence in much the same manner. Its value cannot be measured in yards, nor can its qualities of inspiration be weighed on a balance. It is both solace and hope to the dying, and an ever-present inspiration to the living.

The aim of public school music is to raise the standard of, and develop a greater love of appreciation for, better music. This is more fully shown in the work of the Glee Club and Orchestra.



Art is the expression of man's joy in his work. Like music, it is one of man's methods of expressing his finer sentiments. It has its educational value, for it trains the hand and eye simultaneously with the mind. It is more than training. It is seeing and understanding the beauty of all things. It is constructive in its influence on civilization, and builds the aesthetic column in the Temple of Life.

### HOME ECONOMICS

Home Economics deals with the science of the household and stands for the ideal home life of today, made ideal by scientific knowledge and ability to do well the common tasks of the household.

The purpose of Home Economics in the public schools is to train girls in the essentials of home-making. Home-making is a profession and women should be educated to fill this position. Love of home and of what the home stands for converts the drudgery of daily routine into a high order of social service.

The aim is two-fold: (1) To give the girl a knowledge of textiles and clothing, that she may construct and care for her own wardrobe and be helpful with the home sewing; (2) to give a knowledge that creates an interest in the intelligent use of foods to economically meet the needs of the body.

The work begins in the sixth grade and continues through the High School. One year of work is required in High School, but two years' work may be taken and credit given toward graduation, if desired. The Seniors finish their work by the making of their graduation dresses.

The obligation of every girl who enters upon home-making is to train her family in right living, for in this way only can effective citizens be given to the community.

### MANUAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT

The Manual Training Department of the Rensselaer High School has for its aim the development of the individual to meet with the everyday problems requiring co-ordination of the mind and hand. Initiative is one of the main objects. Without this the individual cannot face the problems that come before him. It has been the policy of the department to encourage this one trait more than any other. Individual help among the students is more to be desired than instruction to the class as a whole. However, certain types of class instruction are not only beneficial but also essential. Another phase of the work is the mechanical drawing, which always precedes the general shop work. In this the principles of working drawings are given, which enable the student to plan his project and have it clearly in mind before beginning his work. In the lathe work the student learns to take proper care of the machine first of all. Following this he learns the different types of cuts by means of exercises, and also the use of tools. After this is accomplished, he is given free range in the selection of his project, and receives only the necessary help in carrying it out. And last but not least is the care of the equipment, which is impressed upon each individual as he takes his place in the shop. The shop, being upon a self-sustaining basis, necessitates the utmost care in the handling of material and equipment.

## COMMERCIAL

As the Commercial Department is at present organized, one year, one period daily, is offered in Shorthand; one year, two periods daily, in both Typewriting and Bookkeeping, and a half year each, one period daily, in Business English, Commercial Arithmetic and Commercial Geography. All the subjects are elective to those majoring in other departments, but all six courses are required of those majoring in this department.

The courses are offered to meet the demands of two classes of students, those who wish to prepare themselves for clerical positions upon graduating, and those who elect the work for their own training and mental equipment along lines that will be of practical personal value to them, such as Typewriting, Bookkeeping, or Business English.

To those who look forward to a business training and, also, ultimately to college, we should add that the prospect is good, for several universities now admit the high school commercial student in full standing with those who have majored in the regular academic subjects.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Physical Education is a new subject added to the High School curriculum this year for the girls. We began the first week in October, having seven classes, of about eighteen girls each, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

Twenty minutes is given each class, the work consisting of marching (including the fancy formations), running and corrective gymnastics, which include neck, arm, leg, trunk, balance exercises, and rhythmic steps. On Fridays the entire period is given over to games.

Our greatest aim is to produce a good posture, because there is nothing so much admired as a straight body. Then there are the games, which develop not only physical strength, health, endurance and skill, but also moral qualities, such as courtesy, chivalry and loyalty. There has been only one regret this year regarding the work; that is, we wish each period could have been an hour and twenty minutes instead of merely twenty.



## Weekly Calendar

- Sept. 6-10—School opens; total enrollment, 568; high school, 240. Rev. Strecker conducts chapel services. Mrs. B. F. Fendig talks to Commercial Geography class about Alaska. Freshmen becoming fairly settled.
- Sept. 13-17—Faculty meets to discuss clubs, which are to take the place of the customary literary societies. Dr. Olson speaks to school.
- Sept. 20-24—A week of "weinie roasts. Faculty and Board of Education lead in the good work. Junior class has one the same night. Senior class has the next one; it includes a ride, some more riding, a treacherous walk—alas, lost! Hurrah! Watermelons, another ride, a call for help, first-aid to a gasless Ford, pulled to town, "All's well that ends well."
- Sept. 27-Oct. 2—Sophomore class follows suit and has a "weinie roast." Print Club organized; Glee Club organized and work started. Walked all over Momence on Saturday.
- Oct. 4-9—Elizabeth King becomes a member of the faculty. The girls are required to take a course in calisthenics three days each week. Logansport goes home with only 6/20 of a victory.
- Oct. 11-16—Mary Jane Brown enters school. Went all the way to Watseka and never saw a goal post.
- Oct. 18-20—First appearance of the Rensselaerien this year. Good beginning. Hurrah! Vacation Thursday and Friday.
- Oct. 25-30—Miss Kay absent one day in order to entertain her new sister-in-law. Football game with Kentland here. Our old rivals go down to defeat. Kentland, where is thy sting?
- Nov. 1-5—Good speech week. It is surely hard for some people to talk. Nov. 2, election day. A big day for Harding in R. H. S. Friday, Nov. 5, "Good Speech" program is given in the auditorium of R. H. S. Many good stunts are displayed. Football game with Emerson. Et tu, Emerson!
- Nov. 8-12—The teachers of the High School and Grammar building have an educational meeting in the High School building, open to the public. We don't know whether Rensselaer got cold feet or not in the Kirklin game, but anyway it was cold enough to freeze.
- Nov. 15-19—Mr. Woerner is not able to attend his duties as Manual Training teacher. Floyd Hemphill is obtained as substitute.
- Nov. 22-24—Everyone looking forward to "Turkey Day."
- Nov. 25—Thanksgiving vacation.
- Nov. 29-Dec. 3—Armory obtained to accommodate all pupils desiring to play either basketball or volley ball. Our first basketball game here with Reynolds. Our team trampled in a fine game.
- Dec. 6-11—Miss Kay entertains History Club at the Grammar building. Chaos is started again this year. Big feed! Freshman and Sophomore classes entertain Juniors, Seniors, Faculty and Board of Education at a banquet in the gym.
- Dec. 13-17—Darkies come to town—one big black cloud hanging in the halls of R. H. S. Glee Club gives a minstrel show.

- Dec. 20-22—Dramatic Club meets. Nature Club meets at the home of Margaret Gifford. The second issue of the Rensselaerien appears. Hurrah! Another vacation—ten days to enjoy a peaceful rest.
- Jan. 10-15—Everyone viewing Chaos pictures. Two big games. If an oculist could have seen the Lowell game he surely would have recommended glasses for the boys at once. In the Morocco game the tables were turned.
- Jan. 17-22—Semester finals begin to darken the minds of the Students. Senior class pins and rings arrive. Mr. Shepler entertains the Chaos staff. Vacation for some, while others write on finals. Well, all that we have to say is that Remington has no team whatever. And, say, do you remember how Medaryville treated us last year? It's just ditto for this year.
- Jan. 24-29—Mr. Woerner resigns as Manual Training teacher. Basketball game at Wolcott. Close, but with lots of punch.
- Jan. 31-Feb. 4—Floyd Hemphill takes Mr. Woerner's place. Chaos subscriptions are taken, a large majority of the High School students being listed as subscribers. Mr. E. T. Albertson speaks to the school. At 2 p. m., Feb. 2nd, a rush was heard as Lowell blew in at the doors of R. H. S.—but no noise was heard as they left.
- Feb. 7-11—C. C. Haradon speaks to the school, giving a formula for "Success." Basketball game with Kentland. Our opponents come over with hearts full of hope, but go home with faces reaching to their shootops. Senior class gives two episodes in memory of Washington's birthday. Basketball games with Chalmers and Monon.
- Feb. 18-25—Elmer Marshall, professor of Public Speaking at Indiana Central University, speaks to the High School, giving readings from the "Merchant of Venice" and several readings from American humorists. Did you see our boys send Brook home down-hearted? This is a yearly occurrence.
- Feb. 28-March 4—Tournament at Gary. Oh, well! Our boys lost Rensselaer's third consecutive yearly game with Emerson in the tourney this year with a score of 15 to 11. WE WILL defeat Emerson one of these years.
- March 7-11—Books stacked while Mr. Shepler is at tournament. "While the cat's away the mice will play."
- March 14-18—Tryouts for the local discussion contest take place. Ewart Merica chosen to represent our school. Literary Club gives program in memory of St. Patrick's day. Senior girls give banquet for basketball team.
- March 21-25—Dr. W. E. Beiderwolf addresses the High School on the subject of "Success." Mr. Hilliard speaks to the students on "Advertising." Agriculture Club has a social meeting at the High School building, at which the Chaos staff are entertained. One never knows where to go to find the most eats until he has had an invitation everywhere.
- March 28-29—Senior class chooses invitations. Tryouts are held for the Senior class play.
- March 30, 31, April 1—Spring vacation.
- April 4-8—Senior play cast is selected. Work is started at once. History Club entertained by Boycie Lambert at his country home.
- April 11-15—Senior class play progressing rapidly. English department gives

- two very interesting programs. Glee Club goes to Tefft to sing at the Baccalaureate exercises.
- April 18-22—Ewart Merica goes to Bloomington to represent the High School at the state discussion contest. Frances Wood and Ewart Merica win preliminary dramatic reading and oratorical contest preparatory to the R-M-D contest.
- April 25-30—V. D. Beshgetoor, an Armenian refugee, speaks to the school on the Near East relief question. R-M-D Track Meet here. We were the losers this time, but have high hopes for next year.
- May 2-6—Mr. and Mrs. Shepler were at home to the Seniors May 6. A very enjoyable time was had by all.
- May 9-14—Go to sectional at Rochester.
- May 16-20—May Day program held in afternoon, May 18. Many beautiful feats were presented which were very interesting. At night, the High School choruses gave a concert in connection with May Day. May 20, class night program by the Seniors.
- May 22-29—Senior week!
- May 22—Baccalaureate.
- May 23-24—Senior Class Play.
- May 25—Junior-Senior Reception.
- May 26—Commencement.
- May 27—Alumni Banquet.
- May 29—Senior Picnic.

Exit the Seniors.





# JOKES

G. Shaw '21.

## Jokes

A poor excuse is better than none,  
Or so the old adage declares.  
So some said "work" and some said "sick,"  
While a few proclaimed "home cares."  
To simmer it down, they all "skipped school."  
That simple pastime of the young foolish "phule."

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Question: Was Bertha Witham?

Answer: Yes.

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### Things Worthy of Note

1. The dead assembly clock.
2. Boycie Lambert's frequent visits to Room 3.
3. Bill Grow's big feet.
4. Cases among faculty and students.
5. Mildred Griffin's puffs.
6. Sylvia Beaver's giggle.
7. Izzy's wide-awake answers in History Class.
8. Dolly Arnott's fondness for automobile rides (particularly ambulances).
9. Francie Wood's popularity among the boys.
10. Ewart Merica's flowing locks.

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Miss Kay (reading aloud from text): "If any man attempts to haul down the American flag, shoot him on the spot."

Ruth Clark (in a loud whisper): "Just where is the spot?"

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### Want Ads

1. A date with Ruth.—John Kresler.
2. A good supply of hair nets.—Bob Randle.
3. Someone to dance with.—John Strecker.
4. A Freshman girl.—Ed. Bever.
5. Some place where I will feel at home in my big shoes.—Bill Grow.
6. To visit the Girls' Calisthenics class.—Some Senior boys.
7. A sure cure for Freckles.—Bill Osborne.
8. New Assembly Curtains.—The entire school.
9. A sure cure for my awkwardness.—Naomi Dunlap.
10. A new way to comb my hair.—Doris Larsh.

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He took her in his manly arms,  
And held her to his breast,  
And whilst he whispered words of love  
The maiden grew distressed,  
For all her boasted loveliness  
Lay scattered on his vest.

Miss Kay (in U. S. History class): "Well, Isabelle, since your outline is different from the others, suppose you just give us the sum and substance of it."

Izzy Bever (arousing for the moment from her habitual sleeping sickness): "Why, I put them both together."



In Freshman English class the students were discussing the name Van Rensselaer. Some one said it was Dutch. Up spoke Marie Wartena, "Well, I'm Dutch and I haven't any Van before me."



There was an old lady named Fitch,  
Who heard a loud snoring at which  
She took off her hat  
And found that a rat  
Had fallen asleep at the switch.



**Wouldn't It Shock You to See—**

"Izzy" Bever at school on time?  
Josephine Dayton in love?  
Lillian Dahncke without ear puffs?  
"Bob" Randle not talking?  
Sylvia Beaver not getting demerits?  
"Dutch" Whitacre with a girl?  
Owen Tullis not quiet?  
"Bill" Grow without "Bob"?  
"Happy" Shaw without red cheeks?  
Mae Lyngé not studying?  
Jack Larsh with red hair?  
Don Rhoades a woman hater?  
"Doke" Collins really working?  
Pauline Comer not in love?  
Naomi Dunlap unladylike?  
Lester Phegley not fussing with girls?  
John Strecker not asking Miss Kay questions?  
Mary Walters running from a boy?  
The entire school faculty in swimming?



Mrs. Leighley: "Is there anyone in here besides Lester Phegley absent today?"



- A. "What is Mr. Shepler doing?"  
B. "Just now he's rolling down his desk."



Mrs. Leighley: "Mary, are you eating candy?"  
Mary Washburn: "No, I'm just sucking it."  
Mrs. L. (disgustedly): "Well, doesn't it all go to the same place?"



From a Sophomore composition: "The old man was on horseback. He wore wooden shoes, and made a great deal of noise when he walked."

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Miss Norris: "What English word comes from the word 'optimus-a-um'?"

Isaac Leopold: "Optimist."

Miss Norris: "Well, what is an optimist?"

I. L.: "Why, an eye doctor, of course!"

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One Freshman to another: "Oh, say, have you heard the latest?"

The other: "No, what is it?"

F. F.: "Nellie Bare put a Latin sentence on the board, and it was 'right'!"

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Miss Kay: "Boycie, what is the term of the judges of the supreme court?"

Boycie Lambert: "Well, they have a position for life and then they are pensioned."

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From a Freshman composition: "He had long, gray hair, parted on one side, a pair of spectacles on his nose, which had a long cord hanging down to his coat."

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In History XII—Miss Kay: "Thomas, what was the Granger movement?"

T. Thompson: "A twist."

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Jay: "Pete, don't think out loud, it bothers me."

Pete: "I don't see why I was bothering you, I wasn't even thinking."

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From a Freshman examination paper:

Seven Plays of Shakespeare:

1. As You Like It.
2. Henery the Fourth.
3. Henery the Eighth.
4. A Midnigh Somers Dream.
5. What You Ado About Nothing.
6. Atony and Cleopatrayia.
7. Wm. III.
8. Julious Coesar.

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Philip Hauser: "Mr. Shepler, is a note ever so high you can't hear it?"

Mr. Shepler: "Yes, sometimes."

Philip: "Well, I never heard any."

### WE WANT TO THANK

The work of getting out this CHAOS has required the co-operation of a great number of people. We take this space to publicly thank these people.

**Gladys Shaw:** Your splendid art work will be in a great part responsible for any success which may come to this book.

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**Miss Blanche Merry:** Your aid, both in criticism and helping us to collect material, has been invaluable.

**Mr. A. A. Shepler:** Without your assistance and advice, the publication of this book would have been impossible.

## TO THE "CLASS" OF '21

Our heart goes in and out to any one that can graduate.

We put in seven years high-fool days trying it. We could never "pass" but got a lot of "credits" for "gettin' by," which really is a safer hit than book learnin'. The dead languages are K. O. for those people.

Now if you've learned to wear your clothes, and remember dates, live and let live, shun the quitter, root for the winner, clinch if you can't punch, get up before seven, bury your mistakes (like a good doctor), smile at the teacher (without laughing), dance to any music, eat soup without the tongue, and love one and like 'em all, then your education is complete. You can enter business or matrimony (the students' ambition) without a cent.

Success is automatic—if you start right.

If you can't do these things second nature, start right into college and stay till you can.

Learn to live and you'll step out and earn to live better.

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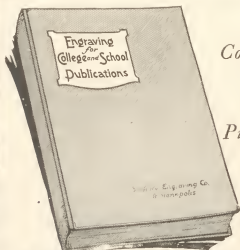
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